

# Southern Baptists Face Choice On Way They Will Go

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Surveys, news, promotional meetings and projects, each one taken individually, seem to point us in many directions. But when we put them all together, examine them, and try to discover the basic unifying truths involved, the picture begins to become clear.

There are times when we are asked to believe that we would do well to

wipe out all the theology we have ever learned and start all over again using only that which is thought of as new and radical. Old concepts must go. To avoid any flavor of the past, a new point of orientation is chosen and a new vocabulary created. Instead of there being one authority that speaks with ultimate finality, there are many authorities speaking a mixture of truth and error from whom we form another

combination of truth and error from which we form our own authenticity. Questions are asked with no intention of finding a firm answer and we go on, "ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth."

As Southern Baptists we are in the process of choosing which way we will go. For purposes of illustration, I have chosen three alternatives: Bible or Intellectualism.

The first alternative we face is whether we will accept the Bible as our guide or intellectualism. Much of what I have read in recent years either ignores the Bible as our ground of faith and Christian life, or uses it as one of many good examples of the world's wisdom literature. Past interpretations of the Bible come to have little or no value under the acid test of the author's particular philosophical fancy. After much

reading you get the impression that after all, we have more to offer the present age through our innovations than through the Bible with its claim to be the eternal truth of God.

Southern Baptists are now choosing whether they will be led into the confusion of intellectualism or will continue to search the Scriptures to know more clearly the message that God has spoken to us from these

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DR. A. JACKSON GLAZE, JR. (right), new president of the International Baptist Theological Seminary, Buenos Aires, Argentina, confers with his predecessor, Dr. W. Lowrey Cooper. Dr. Cooper resigned the presidency last November. Dr. Glaze was inaugurated when the new school year began in mid-March. Both men are Mississippians and Southern Baptist missionaries.

### Glaze Installed As School President

Dr. A. Jackson Glaze, Jr., Southern Baptist missionary to Argentina, was installed as president of the International Baptist Theological Seminary, Buenos Aires, on March 14.

Speaking to a crowded chapel audience, Dr. Glaze brought his inaugural address on "A Mission for Modern Prophets." He has taught Old Testament and Hebrew in the seminary since 1955.

After the message, Rev. Jose Sami, Argentine pastor and president of the seminary board of trustees, presented Dr. Glaze a new Spanish-language Bible signed by the 24 seminary professors and by the 11 trustees, who represent Baptists of Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, and Paraguay.

The audience included the seminary's 108 students (50 of them new this year), who come from the same countries as the trustees.

Dr. Glaze, of Pelahatchie, Miss., succeeds another Mississippian, Dr. W. Lowrey Cooper (of Itta Bena), who

resigned the presidency in November.

Dr. Glaze holds the bachelor of arts degree from Mississippi College, Clinton, and the bachelor of divinity and doctor of theology degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He and his wife, the former Eugenia Jarvis, of Greenwood, S. C., have four children.

### Retirement Date Of McLemore Extended

Announcement was made Thursday of last week that by a unanimous decision of trustees and administration, the retirement date for Dr. R. A. McLemore as president of Mississippi College has been extended to June 30, 1968, when Dr. McLemore will have reached retirement age.

Trustee Chairman B. C. Rogers of Morton, in making the announcement expressed the gratification of the trust-

### BMC Trustees Sign For HEW

The Board of Trustees of Blue Mountain College has voted to sign the HEW assurance of compliance, it has been announced by Joe Jack Hurst, Jackson attorney and president of the trustees of the Baptist girls' school located at Blue Mountain, Miss.

In making the announcement, Mr. Hurst said that "It will not be the purpose of the college to utilize any federal funds but simply to make the National Defense Education Act loans available to students at Blue Mountain College."

He further said that the board had acted after long, detailed and prayerful consideration of the needs of the students and felt that it was necessary for the continued growth and welfare of the college.

He said that a number of the college's best students had found it necessary to drop out of college or transfer to other institutions of higher learning during the semester beginning with February 1967 because they were unable to obtain loans to continue their education at Blue Mountain.

Mr. Hurst said that the trustees felt that an undue hardship resulted to students attending Blue Mountain College if it was impossible for them to obtain the NDEA loans when all of the state schools make these available to their students.

The student loans in question are usually considered "most attractive" because of their low interest rate, delayed repayment schedule and partial "forgiveness" feature accorded the students who enter the teaching profession.

Ninety percent of the loan

fund is provided by the government with 10 per cent cared for by the college. The college processes and collects the loans.

Continuing further, Mr. Hurst said "It is the desire and intention of the Board of Trustees of Blue Mountain College to fully comply with

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### Georgia Board Vetoes Special State Convention

TOCCOA, Ga. (BP) — The Executive Committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention vetoed here a request for a called convention session to consider the "financial crisis" facing Georgia Baptist colleges.

The Executive Committee approved instead a special study of the problem this fall after the nation-wide Baptist Education Study Task findings are reported.

In a quarterly session at Georgia Baptist Assembly here, the Executive Committee said "No" to a plea from Mercer University, a Baptist school in Macon, Ga., asking that a special committee study college financing and that the committee make its report to a called session of the convention.

Instead, the Executive Committee instructed its education and administration committees, along with the Georgia Baptist Education Commission, to make special studies of the final reports of the Baptist Education Study Task, and arrange for a depth study of the college financial problems when the Executive Committee meets again in September.

The Southern Baptist Convention-wide Baptist Education Study Task (BEST) is due to make its final report sometime this summer following the second National Study

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SPRINGTIME

(RNS Photo.)

### Radio-TV Commission Reports Steady Growth

"A world climate of ecumenism of churches and institutional Christianity" is one of the factors cited recently by A. V. Washburn of Nashville in explaining the statistical declines within the Convention and within institutionalized religion as a whole.

One agency of Southern Baptists — the Radio and Television Commission — however, has been especially prosperous in the statistical column in every phase of its work. "In light of this general decline, the blessings of God on the work of the Radio and Television Commission become even more significant," said Dr. Paul M. Stevens, Executive Director. "We have had increases in regular weekly radio and television programming, special network programming, potential weekly audiences, public service time allocations, station support, total broadcasts, and listener and viewer response."

"Quality programs to reach more people effectively" is the unspoken motto at the Commission. "Our major problem is having enough money to match the increasing opportunities," Dr. Stevens said. "The expense is secondary, though, when you consider that one week's broadcast of 'Master Control' reaches more people

than the Apostle Paul reached in his entire preaching career. The 23 weekly radio and television programs produced and distributed by the Commission have a potential weekly audience in excess of 50 million people—that's one-quarter of the entire population of the United States."

The biggest growth has been in programming. In the short, eleven-year period the

broadcast hours in 1955 while it has climbed to the amazing figure of 52,000 yearly broadcast hours in 1966. All Commission domestic programming in English is scheduled in public service time. "If we had to buy radio and television time to present our programs to the public, it would be too expensive because one minute of prime commercial

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### TRAILER NEEDED FOR MONTANA MISSIONS

The Baptist Record is assisting in an effort to raise \$3,000 to provide a trailer for mission work in Montana.

The money will be used to purchase a trailer for the use of Rev. Leroy Smith, Area Missionary for the state.

Need for such a trailer was revealed in the report which Smith made to the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board Pioneer Missions Committee, meeting in Jackson on March 7.

The missionary did not request such a trailer, but simply expressed the hope that one day he would be able to secure one, since it would be such an asset to his work.

The editor of the Baptist Record, after hearing the report, and after consultation with Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, suggested that the Baptist Record would be glad to try to secure gifts for purchase of the trailer from its readers.

The Pioneer Missions Committee gave assent to the proposed effort by the Baptist Record. Cooper Walton, Jackson, Chairman of the Committee for this year, said, "I heartily approve of this effort, and will do all that I can to assist the Baptist Record in raising the money for the trailer."

Conversation with Mr. Smith revealed that a dealer friend has offered to sell him the type of trailer he wants for \$3,000, so that amount has been set as the goal which

will be sought. If more is given, the extra funds will be used to purchase other equipment for the missionary's use.

Dr. Odie said, "Hundreds of Mississippi Baptists already

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### "Elijah" Will Be Dramatized At State Coliseum

The oratorio "Elijah" will be presented by a 500-voice youth choir in the Mississippi Coliseum on Saturday night, April 15 at 7:00 o'clock.

Dan C. Hall, music secretary, said this presentation would be given in lieu of the usual State Youth Choir Festival held during the day.

Dr. Jack L. Lyall, head of the Division of Fine Arts of Mississippi College, will direct the presentation.

Andrew White, of the Voice Department of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, will sing the principal role of Elijah. Accompanying the presentation will be a 30-piece orchestra and a dramatization of a score by the Tribal Players of Mississippi College under direction of Bill Lytel, instructor in speech.

Allan Fuller, associate professor of music at the college and concert master of the Jackson Symphony Orchestra, will be in charge of the

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### Singing Churchmen Record Music Album

The Singing Churchmen of Mississippi, composed of ministers of music, of Baptist churches, 34 strong, have recorded an album of sacred music, according to Dan C. Hall, secretary of the Church Music Department.

"This is a first for Mississippi," Mr. Hall said, adding that the project is in cooperation with the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, which supervised the recording.

The purposes of the project were given by Mr. Hall, as follows:

1. To establish a scholarship fund, from profits of sales, for students attending Mississippi's four Baptist colleges who are planning to become church musicians.

2. To provide a recording for the Radio and Television Commission's various programs, including The Baptist Hour, and also for their new Christian Home Music Record Club.

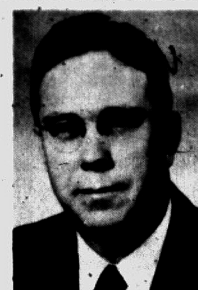
3. To provide an album of

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THE SINGING CHURCHMEN are: First row, left to right: Sid Doty, Forest; Jack Brossette, Laurel; Bill Santo, Jackson; Jerry Talley, Jackson; Cecil E. Deas, Lucedale; Paul Padgett, Piquette; William H. Sellers, Canton; H. G. Earwood, Jr., Corinth; Burnie Parker, Meridian; Donald Brown, Batesville; J. T. Taylor, Jackson; Bill Cannady, Yazoo City; Jimmy Jones, Jackson; Vernon Folk, Grenada; Bob Jones, Gulfport; George Van Egmond, Vicksburg; Tommy Howard, Leland; Jim Raynick, Tupelo; Cecil Harper, Jackson; Graham Smith, Laurel; Harold Hancock, Biloxi; Dennis P. Butler, Jackson; Charles Moller, Jackson; Eddie Hebert, Jackson; Tom Meek, Jackson; Third row: R. E. Sigrest, Jr., Yazoo City; Allen Drost, Newton; J. B. Betts, Itta Bena; Lewis Bridges, Greenwood; Roland Shaw, Mississippi College; Dan W. Fowler, Vicksburg; Gerald Claxton, Mississippi College.



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SpeakerFranklin Eubanks  
PresidentDr. Wm. G. Tanner  
SpeakerRev. Ralph B. Winders  
State Director

## State Student Leadership Training Conference Set For Gulfshore

Pictured above are seven of the leaders who will be present for the annual Student Leadership Training Conference to be held at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly April 14-16. About 350 local BSU officers from 30 campuses in the state are expected. Dr. Gray Allison, associate in Evangelism Division of the Home Mission Board, not pictured, will be one of the principal speakers.

# Southern Baptists Face Choice On Way

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pages. Let's make no mistake about it. When the Bible was written it was meant to be God's message. God's truth from then on, space age included. These days are no surprise to God. Neither has He left this age without a message. If we would quit messing around trying to interpret the Bible in the light of this age and start interpreting this age in the light of the Bible, we would find the solution to many of our problems. The Bible needs to be elevated to its rightful place in our thinking before we can ever hope to reach any kind of a valid interpretation of life and its problems. Let the Bible be the Bible. What will Southern Baptists do about this? We need to answer this question now.

**Evangelism Or Social Change**  
A second set of alternatives from which we must choose is evangelism or the social gospel.

In recent months Southern Baptists have entered into plans for a great revival crusade for the Americas in 1969. In the planning procedures, we were told that our approach to evangelism by personal soul-winning was a prostitution of the gospel. The source of this pressure believes in universalism and proposes to put the emphasis on social uplift rather than the winning of souls. Southern Baptists made their choice but not without feeling the pressures of a liberalism that denies the need for the soul to be saved.

Southern Baptists have been slow to carry the torch of social change but this doesn't mean that they don't believe in it. You don't change people with the gospel without changing society. Our real problems stem largely out of our failure to press this change in the people far enough.

On the other hand it is possible to accomplish the social changes based upon the liberal social gospel approach and never reach the souls of the people. Little is gained through this approach.

In recent years, Southern Baptists have made some good progress in coupling social action with their evangelism. In so doing we are committed to hold to a course of action that will neither sacrifice our principles nor weaken our basic beliefs and practices. This we need to reaffirm as we press for social change.

**Missions or Ecumenism**  
The third alternative is, shall we pursue missions or the ecumenical movement? A serious study of the Bible indicates that these need not necessarily be alternatives but the ecumenical movement as it is now being promoted says that we must choose one or the other.

Southern Baptists have generally understood that missions is that effort which seeks to work together with God in winning lost souls to Him and helping them to develop in that new relationship. Any soul with whom the Spirit of God would strive to convict is the object of mission con-

cern the world over. As we share the concern of God's Spirit, we are drawn close to God and to each other. This is at least an essential element in God's ecumenical movement.

But now we are told that the ecumenical movement has at its core a peaceful co-existence maintained by the limitations of territorial restrictions, a watered down concept of the unique lordship of Jesus, and a Christianity characterized by the absence of all that might stand in the way of the proposed ecumenical movement.

But the Christian faith, as Southern Baptists have pursued it, has included the Bible as "truth, without any mixture of error," and Christ as "the One Mediator partaking of the nature of God and of man" and making provision on the cross for the redemption of men from sin. In other words Christ is the unique and all sufficient Savior of the world for all time: there is none other. Our mission is to witness to this fact both objectively and subjectively and to fail to do so is denial.

But the responsible and adequate expression of this witness is being vigorously challenged by the ecumenical movement. This we know from experience. Any time we remain silent on these issues for the sake of the ecumenical movement in its modern expression, we have removed the cutting edge out of our mission advance.

In one of our recent meet-

ings in Portland, one of our own missionaries gave us a classic example of what would happen to our evangelism if Southern Baptists were to become involved along ecumenical lines. He has been witnessing to a people whose religion requires no personal experience with Christ for their salvation and until recently taught that Baptists were heretics. When their church became a part of the ecumenical movement, they were taught that now there is no need to listen to Baptists for they are all working together in the ecumenical movement.

By this sweep of the ecumenical imagination our mission to these people becomes senseless proselyting in their thinking. But they are still lost. We were not responsible for this error but by a careless decision, we could easily become so. What would this do to the work of our mission boards?

Already some very serious overtures are coming from among Southern Baptists. Which way will we go? Will it be the Bible or intellectualism; evangelism or the social gospel; missions or the ecumenical movement?

## SBC MESSENGERS URGED TO OBTAIN PROPER CREDENTIALS

NASHVILLE (BP)—Elected messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami Beach, May 30-June 3, must bring with them the proper credentials certifying their election by a local Baptist church, the convention's registration secretary said here.

W. Fred Kendall, executive secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and registration secretary of the SBC, urged every messenger to bring a registration card signed by the church moderator or church clerk to certify him as a duly-elected messenger.

"The registration secretary has been requested to enforce the constitutional provision that only messengers be registered who present the proper credentials," Kendall said.

Kendall added that all messengers who do not bring the proper registration credentials must be approved by a credentials committee, appointed by the convention president, before they will be allowed to register.

"Last year at Detroit, nearly half of the messengers did not bring any kind of identification or registration card as the required credential," Kendall said. "This creates a tremendous problem and adds confusion to the registration process."

Kendall said registration cards are available from the executive secretary of each Baptist state convention cooperating with the SBC.

The SBC official also listed the constitutional requirements setting forth the number of messengers each church can elect.

No church can appoint more than 10 messengers to the convention, and each messenger must be a member of the church by which he is appointed.

One messenger may be appointed by each SBC church "which is in friendly cooperation with this convention and sympathetic with its purposes and work, and has during the fiscal year preceding been a bona fide contributor to the convention's work," according to the SBC Constitution. (Article XI)

One additional messenger may be appointed from each church for every 250 members, or for each \$250 paid to the work of the convention during the fiscal year preceding the convention.

The "messengers" to the convention are not called "delegates" under Southern Baptist terminology, since they have no "delegated" authority to speak for the local church, and since the convention's actions are advisory and not binding on SBC churches.

## TRAILER NEEDED FOR MONTANA MISSIONS

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have shared in the mission work in Montana, during the five and one-half years Mississippi Baptists have been working with the young churches there. Individuals, churches and associations have given for church buildings, budget and pastoral support, pastor's homes, and to other phases of the work. Most Mississippians, however, have not had the joy of directly sharing in the mission witness out there.

"The purchase of such equipment as this trailer," he added "will give many people the opportunity to assist in the mission witness in Montana, for every gift will be welcomed. People who can give only \$1.00 should do so, and those who can give \$5.00, \$10.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00 or more, should do so. Working together, many Mississippi Baptists, can give a piece of equipment which will serve in missionary witness for many years to come."

"This trailer will allow the missionary to hold revival meetings, work with churches and missions, direct soul-winning clinics, and do many other types of mission work much more effectively. The trailer being considered would have desk and files so that the missionary's office work could be done wherever he traveled. Since the Smith children are now grown and away from home, Mrs. Smith often would travel with her husband and assist in the mission work," Dr. Odle added.

In the report to the Pioneer Missions Committee, Mr. Smith revealed that Montana is so big, and the churches are so scattered, that it is impossible to effectively minister to all of the work, from one central point. There are now 31 Southern Baptist churches, and 13 missions in the state. These are scattered over an area three and one-half times as big as Mississippi. Soon after assuming his position the missionary decided to visit every church and mission for conferences with pastors and leaders, and it took him 61 days and over 9,000 miles of driving.

## Board Vetoes

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Conference in Nashville, June 12-15.

The Georgia Baptist Executive Committee did approve administrative plans for handling any special monies designated for Christian education, and gave its endorsement to an idea called "Operation Over and Above," which several Georgia Baptist churches have begun in recent months.

"Operation Over and Above" involves church members giving \$1 per member per year over and above regular gifts for Christian education.

In other actions, the Executive Committee gave Norman Park Junior College (Baptist) at Norman Park, Ga., au-

Most of the residences of the pastors are small, without room for a guest, while few of the churches have families with adequate facilities for caring for a guest for several days. Costs of staying in tourist courts or hotels are prohibitive, especially during the tourist season, and are too expensive for the limited mission budget of the small Baptist program of the state. A travel trailer would eliminate these problems, and make it possible for the missionary to stay as long as needed on any field.

"I sincerely believe that many people in the state will want to share in this great mission opportunity," Dr. Odle said, "so the Baptist Record is most happy to use its facilities to help raise the funds for purchasing the trailer."

"Every gift will be acknowledged," he added, "and it is hoped that the entire fund can be raised in a few weeks, so the trailer can be purchased for use this summer."

"Gifts may be sent direct to the Convention Board designated for the Montana Mission Trailer Fund or they may be given through the church, designated for the Montana Mission Trailer Fund." Dr. Odle said. "In either case the church will be given credit on the designated gift records here at the Convention Board, if the donor of direct gifts indicates the church of which he or she is a member."

## Retirement Date For

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tion, it was revealed. In following a program set up by the board of trustees three years ago, increases in instructional salaries effective the coming season will lift Mississippi College into a classification among the highest of any institution of higher learning in the state.

Enrollment increases for the current semester have given the college a student body larger than at the beginning of the term, Chairman Rogers said and advance reservations for this fall thus far indicate a still further increase in students for the next college year.

Trustees Thursday received the reports of committees on investment and finance, on instruction, and other standing committees of the board. Encouraging reports from the administration were heard.

The reports disclosed that Mississippi College has now operated for 36 consecutive years without a deficit.

lege (Baptist) at Rome, Ga., to borrow up to \$250,000 from commercial sources for a library and other instructional facilities.

thority to erect two dormitories at a cost of about \$500,000 and authorized Shorter Col-

## Radio-TV Reports Growth

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organization has been based in North Worth, Texas. Southern Baptists have added 19 weekly radio programs and three television programs to the schedule. "In 1955, we had only one weekly, half-hour radio program and an irregularly scheduled quarter-hour radio program," Dr. Stevens said. "Today, we produce and distribute 23 weekly programs—20 radio programs (11 in English and nine in six foreign languages), plus three color television series (the "Answer," "Dr. Theodore Adams' Religious Spots," and "JOT," animated cartoon series scheduled for Fall release)—placing Southern Baptists among the top religious broadcasters."

"At the same time the Commission has increased the number of programs, the same high standards of production and high-quality subject matter have been maintained. Because of this careful vigilance and maintenance of quality programming, the three major radio and television networks have expressed confidence in the Commission's purpose and programs by steadily increasing network public service time and increasing funds for joint efforts in filming and recording

network specials as "The Vine" and "The Inheritance," Dr. Stevens said.

In 1955, the Commission had no network radio programs—however, in 1966, eight radio network specials were broadcast with NBC; two, with CBS. In 1966, the Commission helped film twelve network television specials. "If we had to purchase the time to telecast these specials and to finance the total production costs, it would be almost financially impossible. Yet, through these network specials aired on public service time, Southern Baptists can reach millions that are unchurched and unsaved," Dr. Stevens said.

### 300 Programs In 1955

In 1955, the Commission had 305 program broadcasts weekly; while the 1966 figure has increased to 2,300. This amounted to 9,624 yearly time costs as much as \$180,000. From 1941 through 1965, radio and television stations throughout the nation donated air-time valued at \$22.3 million to the Commission. In 1966, alone, the donated public service time was valued at \$3.9 million," Dr. Stevens added.

Southern Baptist programs are broadcast on almost 500 radio stations weekly, compared to the 1955 figure of 180 stations. Television programs are viewed on 4,711 domestic stations—that's 79 per cent of the 6,007 available outlets. "The Commission receives 20 per cent of all time available for religious public service time on stations scheduling Commission programming. When you consider that only five per cent of a station's weekly schedule is set aside for public service programming, you can see the Commission is standing up to competition."

Despite increased network cooperation, increased donation of public service time, increased programming, and increased station cooperation, the broadcasting business is getting more competitive and more expensive each year. The Radio and Television Commission is one of the newest and fastest growing Southern Baptist agencies. May 21 has been designated "A Day of Prayer" for the Radio and Television Commission—the Commission asks that you pray for its continued growth as it carries out the work of God.

## Graham Conducts

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here, read a Senate proclamation welcoming the Graham Team to Puerto Rico and supporting the Campaign effort.

Graham centered his message on the permanency of God, and 469 "inquirers" came forward in response to the invitation given after the sermon.

In his message, Graham said that many changes are taking place in the world today but that the "Bible teaches that certain things will never change."

He listed four unchangeables—the nature of God as to His wrath and love, the Word of God which is relevant to every generation, human nature which is in rebellion against God, and the way of salvation which demands individual repentance of sin, faith in the work of Christ on the cross, and open confession of having had a spiritual birth.

The Billy Graham Puerto Rico Campaign continues through an "Easter Sunrise Service Sunday, March 26.

## BMC Signs HEW Compliance

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the resolution adopted by the Mississippi Baptist Convention in 1963 regarding the use of federal funds.

"The Board feels that the signing of the compliance will not violate the resolution of the convention since it is not contemplated that any federal funds will be utilized by the college itself."

"The Mississippi Baptist Convention has placed in the hands of the Board of Trustees the responsibility of managing the affairs of the college and the Board of Trustees must use its best judgment after considering all of the relative facts."

"Of the 37 senior Baptist colleges and universities located within the Southern Baptist Convention, thirty-three of the institutions are reported to have signed the compliance agreement."

The resolution adopted by the State Convention in 1966 is as follows:

"We reaffirm our belief in the New Testament and his-

torical principle of separation of church and state, to-wit: "A free church in a free state, in which the church does not resort to civil power to carry on her work nor does the state depend upon the church to carry on its work."

"We suggest that our institutions not make application for nor accept any federal money."

Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Acts of 1964, schools that sign the compliance and continue to participate in the loan fund must agree to the following requirement as set forth by the government:

"An institution of higher education which applies for any Federal financial assistance of any kind must agree that it will make no distinction on the ground of race, color, or material origin in the admission practices or any other practices of the institution relating to the treatment of students."

In taking this action, the college becomes the second of the four schools maintained

by the Mississippi Baptist Convention to take this step. Wm. Carey College, Hattiesburg, is the other college that has already signed. Mississip-

pi College, Clinton, and Clarke College, Newton, a junior college, have not signed.

E. Harold Fisher is president of the college.

## Singing Churchmen Record Album

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excellent sacred music for Baptist homes and churches in Mississippi, as well as for the public.

4. To provide devotional music for all the radio and television stations in Mississippi. (The Radio and Television Commission will give a free album to every station in the state. The Commission will also give to each station devotional music which will include some of the songs recorded in the album.)

The actual recording was done Jan. 19-21 at the First Baptist Church in Hattiesburg under direction of Mr. Hall.

The organist was Dr. Donald Winters, Dean Dr.

ment of Fine Arts, Wm. Carey College, Hattiesburg, with Mrs. Clyde C. Bryan, assistant pianist, First Baptist Church, Jackson, serving as pianist.

Featured also in the album is the String Quartet of Mississippi College with Allan Fuller, assistant professor of music at the college, in charge.

Songs recorded include: "Send Me, O Lord, Send Me," "Jesus Is the Sweetest Name I Know," "All That Thrills My Soul," "Lost in the Night," "Love Divine," "I Must Tell Jesus," "America, The Beautiful," "Set My Soul Afire," "I Want My Lord to Be Near," "An Evening Prayer," "Beautiful Saviour."

## Elijah Will Be

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strumentation and enlistment of the orchestra.

Other soloists will be Evelyn Herm. Jackson, soprano; Vernon Polk, Grenada, tenor and Mrs. Geneva Reeves, Raymond, alto.

The choir will be composed of youth choir from churches over the state as well as choral groups from several colleges.



# Recollections Of The Baptist Record Under Editor P. I. Lipsey, Part VII

By John J. Lipsey

When my father, Dr. P. I. Lipsey (editor of The Baptist Record), and I started The Baptist Record Book Store in Jackson, Mississippi, about 1913, neither of us had previous experience in merchandising. So we made slow progress by trial and error. At first there was so little business that The Record had to support the store. Later, that changed around.

We found that we had to have more workers than ourselves, so we employed an agreeable, pretty, hard-working young woman, Miss Eva Pierce, as clerk, typist and woman-of-all-work. She turned out to be an asset, and stayed with the store until it was bought by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board five or six years later. We hired the Negro janitor of the Capital National Bank to do our cleaning - up and to wash the big front windows. This required less than an hour a day. After a while, when we had built up a trade in books, magazines, and stationery, we hired a small boy to deliver packages after school. We bought a second-hand bicycle for his use and that nice kid would sometimes pedal as far as the Baptist Hospital on North State Street to deliver less than a dollar's worth of stuff.

## Books

Our stock was not large or varied, but on some things we really went to town. We bought (and sold) hundreds of copies of such items as Peloubet's Secret Notes on the Sunday School Lessons; books by T. T. Martin, George W. Truett, and other well-known Baptists; Harold Bell Wright's books (whew!); Bibles in such large quantities that the publishers imprinted them for us; and Robert H. Coleman's hymnals.

It was on hymnals that we sometimes came to grief. Preachers who were going to hold revival meetings often bought Coleman's songbooks to sell at such times. We never refused any minister credit on his first request, and here was where I lost faith in the absolute probity of all preachers. I was shocked to learn that some preachers did not pay their bills—at least to us.

One such delinquent pastor was a former classmate of mine at Mississippi College.

After patiently urging him to remit (I knew he could, for he had gotten cash for the books when he sold them) for months and perhaps a year, I became impatient and actually sent him a telegram demanding payment! I probably could have been sued for this act, but I did not know it then. So far as I know, he still owes for those hymnals. (This gentle aftermath deflected to the Presbyterians, which surprised me, since I had always thought the Presbyterian church was a very particular denomination.)

Of one thing that happened during my term of service with Father, I am not at all proud. We kept memos of all the merchandise that we had calls for but which we did not have in stock. One day a gentleman came in and asked for a copy of a magazine called Fatherland. He said that if we would stock it, he would take two copies every week. I ordered the publication from the New Orleans News Company, which supplied all our magazines. They came regularly and the gentleman took his two copies every week for a number of months. Since I did not have time to read all the magazines we sold, I had no knowledge of what was in Fatherland. Suddenly the magazine changed its name to Vierick's Weekly. This was about the time that President Wilson was having trouble with the Germans who were not being careful about whose ships they sank. The United States was officially neutral in the quarrel between Great Britain and France on one side and the Germans on the other. But sentiment went against the Germans when they began to sink American ships without warning and in some cases without trace. I happened to open a copy of Vierick's Weekly and found out what I ought to have learned earlier, that it was a German propaganda sheet. I stopped buying the magazine. (George Sylvester Vierick who edited the Weekly was an American who was an efficient paid propagandist for the German government.)

G. A. Hobbs

One day in 1917, Father had a visitor in the person of G. A. Hobbs. He had written a book, he said, whose title was

"Bilbo, Brewer and Bribery in Mississippi Politics," whose purpose was to exonerate him from the charges made against him by both Governor Bilbo and ex-Governor Earl Brewer. No printer in Mississippi would touch the book (and I don't blame them). He had finally gotten it printed in Memphis. However, he was having trouble finding in Jackson a bookstore that would handle the book. He asked Father to buy and display copies of the book.

Father and I had known "Georgie" Hobbs when he was a Mississippi College student, employed as a handyman at Hillman College by that college's president, my grandfather, Dr. John L. Johnson, Sr. At that time he appeared to be a quiet, indolent person. But he had managed to talk and work himself into the good graces of Theodore G. Bilbo, with whom he was indicted, charged with taking bribes. Hobbs was acquitted in Vicksburg. Bilbo at Jackson. Bilbo went on to glory as governor and later U. S. senator. Hobbs, during that same period (1912-1925) gradually descended into obscurity.

Father rather liked young Hobbs, whose brother was a distinguished Baptist preacher. But he turned the matter over to me, to buy or not to buy. I had not seen the work, of course, but it sounded like an easy book to sell, so I ordered 100 copies. List price was \$1.75, cost to us \$1.25. Thus, for a possible profit of \$50, I risked disaster. For "Bilbo, Brewer and Bribery" turned out to be a live bomb, that might go off anytime, destroying us and The Record. I have just finished reading it again and, even now, I don't dare write an outline of the opus. Somebody involved in the story, still living after fifty years have passed, might sue me, and The Record, too. I can say that for Hobbs, it was *apologia pro sua vita*, a defense of his life.

T. G. Bilbo

The books came from Memphis and I filled one of our big display windows with them, together with a show card giving title, author, and price. They went well. The display engendered considerable attention and talk. One day I glanced up from my desk and saw looking into the store a face made familiar by thousands of placards, tacked to phone poles, bearing this bold device: "Vote for Theodore G. Bilbo, the Forward-looking Man". He was looking forward now: at me, at Father and the display of books. I called Father's attention to the looker. Both of us expected that Governor Bilbo would come in and blast us, but he went away without coming in at all.

T. J. Bailey

Next day, Dr. T. J. Bailey, the previous editor, from whom Father had bought control of The Record, came in and told Father that Governor Bilbo had called on him and had given him a message for Father. In effect, this was: "Get those books out of the window and don't dare sell any more of them—or else!" Dr. Bailey chuckled as he told Father: "I told Mr. Bilbo, I would deliver his message, but that he could not bluff Dr. Lipsey."

Father consulted his attorney and friend, a Baptist, ex-Governor A. H. Longino, who told him he might as well keep on selling the books, since the damage to Mr. Bilbo's reputation (if any had been made) was already done. Besides, Gov. Longino (no slouch of a politician himself) did not think Mr. Bilbo would dare to sue such a well-known and favorably-known person as Dr. Lipsey. So we sold the entire hundred copies of "Bilbo, Brewer and Bribery," and nothing happened.

The only time that Father ever took an active part in politics was in 1928 when he did publicly support Republican Herbert Hoover who was running against Gov. Al Smith of New York for the Presidency.

So actively did he oppose Al Smith that Father lost some friends among Democratic politicians, and there was an effort to have Father removed as editor of The

## Current Issues In Baptist Life



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## WHEN BRETHREN DISAGREE!

Baptists teach that Christ is head of the church and that he exercises his lordship directly over the gathered fellowship of Christian believers who form the local congregation. Christ is present in the congregation, and through the Holy Spirit he guides it directly in its belief and practice (Matt. 18:20).

But this clear New Testament teaching of the direct lordship of Christ over his body, the church, raises some serious problems in practice. One group in the church may believe that it is following the command of Christ, and another group may be convinced sincerely that Christ is commanding exactly the opposite. If they appeal to Baptist history they may honestly disagree because Baptist history is neither entirely uniform nor entirely without error! It may be used to support contradictory positions.

Baptists generally appeal to the authority of the Bible as their "rule of faith and practice." But, after serious study of the Bible, there is often disagreement as to what it teaches. What can Baptist

brethren do when they reach this point of honest disagreement? They cannot appeal to a pope of church council to settle the argument. In fact, a local congregation cannot even abdicate its responsibility by appealing to the association or convention to make the decision for it.

From the New Testament understanding of the church, certain principles emerge which should guide Christians in handling disagreements:

(1) They must humbly confess that they are imperfect men, and therefore their beliefs are subject to review and correction.

(2) They must earnestly seek the truth by a careful study of the scriptures and constant prayer for divine guidance within the fellowship of the church.

(3) They should seek the wisest counsel they can find on the interpretation of scripture, history, and doctrine; but they should follow it only when they are truly convinced of its rightness in the fellowship of prayer and Bible study.

(4) Each group of brethren (whether committee, congregation, association, or convention) should settle the issues which fall within its own responsibility, and not try to impose its decision upon another group. Each group of Christian brethren has a direct line to Christ. It is wrong for one group to take over the responsibility of telling other Christians what Christ would have them do!

(5) And finally, brethren must maintain respect and love for those with whom they sharply disagree and continue to work with them until compelled to separate for conscience sake. Even then, it must be in love and not in bitterness.

Such is the pattern which can be found in the New Testament again and again. How many tragic pitfalls would have been avoided if Christian brethren had faced their disagreements in this way!

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## PARAGUAY WOMEN HOLD TWO RETREATS

One hundred twenty-six women from central Paraguay gathered at the Baptist encampment near Itacurubi for a one-day retreat, setting a record attendance for the annual event. The program featured a mission study class on India, taught by Missionary Frances Roberts (formerly assigned to Paraguay, she now works with the Woman's Missionary Union of Argentina, but visits Paraguay periodically).

Another women's retreat, the second for southern Paraguay, was held near the city of Encarnacion, with an attendance of 26.

Paraguyan Baptist women have designated their 1966 foreign mission Christmas offering for medical work in India, where Southern Baptist missionaries are planning a hospital at Bangalore.

## Enrollment Period Opens For Health Benefit Plan

Dallas—The semi-annual enrollment period for the Health Benefit Plan is open from now through May 31, according to Baynard F. Fox of the Southern Baptist Annuity Board.

Fox, who directs the Life and Health Department, said any Southern Baptist minister or denominational employee (except hospital personnel) who desires the hospital-surgical-major medical coverage must have his application and check in the Dallas office by May 31 in order to have coverage on July 1.

Fox said anyone failing to

meet the May 31 deadline will have to wait until the next enrollment date scheduled in the fall.

He said information about the Health Plan has been mailed to pastors and others who are eligible for participation.

Fox stated that almost 12,000 Baptists are currently participating in the plan. Since the inauguration of the Plan in the fall of 1965, more than \$2.5 million has been paid out in benefits.

The Health Plan is administered by the Annuity Board and underwritten by Blue Cross-Blue Shield.

## SPEAKER FOR HINDS WMU



Mrs. Payton Myers

Missionary speaker at the Annual Spring Meeting of Hinds Associational WMU on April 6th at Forest Hill Baptist Church will be Mrs. Payton Myers.

A few years ago Mrs. S. Payton Myers was a Baptist pastor's wife in Mississippi, church organist, and Sunday school teacher. She left that to become a Southern

Baptist missionary to Nigeria, West Africa.

For 18 months prior to their current furlough she and Mr. Myers lived in Ibadan, Nigeria. There he was pastor of Baptist Chapel, and she was organist and children's worker in Sunday School.

Appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1963, Mr. and Mrs. Myers studied language (Hausa) briefly and then spent more than a year at Kaduna, teaching in a Baptist pastors' school (her subject was English). They hope to return to the school after furlough.

The former Helen Green, Mrs. Myers is the daughter of a Baptist minister, Dr. Leroy E. Green, who was a member of the Foreign Mission Board, when she went overseas. She has a missionary sister, Mrs. Hal B. Lee, Jr., serving in France.

Born in Prentiss, Miss., she spent most of her childhood there. She graduated from Mississippi College, and taught school in New Orleans, La., and Buckatunna, Magee, and West Point, Miss.



SENDING MINISTER TO HOLY LAND—First Church Stone- wall, recently voted to send their pastor Rev. John Merck, on a three-week all-expense paid tour of the Holy Land in June. Mr. Merck, center, standing, is shown with the deacons. Seated, left to right, Judge D. L. Payton, Myron Clark, Delma Smith, Bob Rothman. Standing, James Haywood, J. G. Fuller, Merck, Ray Daugherty, and J. P. Fuller. Mr. Merck has been the pastor of the 400-member church for three years. During that time there have been 200 additions, half of these baptisms. The financial support of the church has increased by more than 100%. The church had a special Holy Land Day on March 5 and had a total offering of \$1000.

## MRS. RILEY DIES AT AGE 100 YEARS

Funeral services for Mrs. George W. Riley, a Clinton centenarian and widow of a retired Baptist minister, evangelist and educator, were conducted Wednesday, March 22, at 3 p.m. from the graveside, Clinton Cemetery, with Dr. Howard Spell officiating, assisted by Dr. J. S. Riser. Mrs. Riley died Tuesday morning, March 21, at Hinds General Hospital.

The former Lily Waller, she was born June 4, 1866 in Louisville, Ky., and during her late husband's active ministry had lived in several towns in Mississippi, Texas and Kentucky. She had lived in Clinton for over 50 years.

Mrs. Riley, an educator in her own right, had served on the faculty at Blue Mountain College, was a former dean of Hillman Junior College and later a dean of Mississippi College.

Active in Baptist Church work throughout Mississippi, she was a member of First Baptist Church of Clinton, and was a past state president of Baptist Women's Missionary Union.

Her husband, founder of the Griffith Memorial Baptist Church, Jackson, preceded her in death, March 13, 1935.

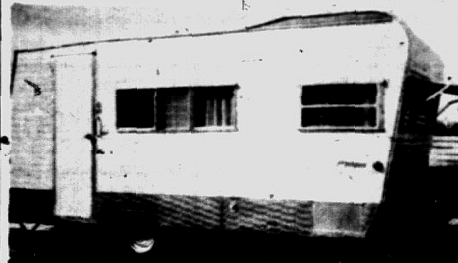
She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. John M. King, Sr., and Dr. Susan B. Riley, both of Clinton; two grandsons, John M. King, Jr., of Clinton and George Waller King of Memphis, and five great-grandchildren.

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### Dialogue

A Jewish Rabbi, speaking at a conference of Southern Baptist seminary professors, called for more "dialogue" between Southern Baptists and Jews, but said that such dialogue is possible only if each side uses it for learning, and not for proselytization.

As reported in the Baptist Record three weeks ago, Rabbi Arthur Gilbert of New York, said to the Baptist professors "it is not easy to accept" expressions of love by the Christian, when he at the same time contends "that Judaism is defective, inadequate and unless the Jews receive the Word they are doomed to damnation."

The Religious News Service report of the address added, "He also scored Baptists who seek to learn about Judaism from 'converted Jews' who gave up their Judaism because it no longer had significance to them."

The Rabbi criticized a Southern Baptist missions magazine because it "on its cover depicted the Jews, the deaf, the blind." He also criticized "contrived mission campaigns directed against our existence, Bible-quoting, button-collaring . . . etc." He said that "Anti-Semitism is a sin against the Jewishness of Jesus. For the Christian anti-Semitism is spiritual suicide."

The Jewish leader is correct in his statement that anti-Semitism and hatred of the Jew is completely out of place among Christians. If there is any of either among Southern Baptists, it should forever be eliminated. (However, "spiritual suicide", is not the proper description of it.) The charge, that Southern Baptists as a group have the most prejudiced attitude toward the Jews, made in a recent book referred to by the Rabbi in his address, simply is not true. It is evident that those making the charge did so upon the basis of a misinterpretation of the fact that Baptists believe that Jews are lost, and must accept Jesus Christ as Saviour, in order to be acceptable to God. This is not Jew-hatred or anti-Semitism. It is a conviction grounded upon the clear teachings of Jesus Christ himself, and the entire New Testament.

Jesus said, "If ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins." (John 8:24). He was talking to Jews when he said that. Peter said in Acts 4:12 "There is none other name under heaven, given among men, whereby we must be saved." Paul said "My heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of law for righteousness to every one that believeth." (Rom. 10:1-4). These are just a few of the many references in the New Testament, revealing that Jew and Gentile alike must be saved through Jesus Christ, and in rejecting Christ the Jew is lost.

#### Southern Baptists and Jews

Most Southern Baptists are acquainted with at least some Jews, value their friendship, and have the highest respect and love for them. They are fully aware of the cultural, moral and ethical values of the Jewish religion; but also are very conscious that the New Testament says that something more than those are needed . . . namely Jesus Christ. It is because the Baptist loves and respects the Jew that he has a deep concern about his spiritual need. It is certainly possible that some Baptists have not always been wise in the way they expressed that concern, or presented the claims of Christ, but it has been an error of the head and not of the heart.

The Rabbi called for more dialogue, but made it clear that he does not want any efforts to proselyte, or to win to Christ. What would the Christian talk about in the discussion? We presume that the dialogue would be concerned with religious matters. How could the Christian discuss Judaism without considering the New Testament revelation concerning it? How could he fail to discuss Jesus Christ as the Messiah promised by Moses and the prophets? How could he fail to show how Christ fulfilled all of the law, was himself the sacrifice for sin, with his own blood provided redemption, and is the Saviour for all men, Jew and Gentile? How could the Christian discuss Judaism if he did not show how that Christ and the whole New Testament revealed that Judaism is not sufficient to save, and that no man can come to the Father but through Jesus Christ. "No man cometh to the Father but by me" said Jesus in John 14:6.

#### What Can Be Discussed?

Is the Rabbi saying that these matters must not be discussed? Is he not saying that we can discuss the values of the Jewish religion but not its shortcomings?

Does this mean that when he talks to the doctor, the doctor must discuss the good things of his health, but not the cancer which threatens to destroy his body? Does he mean that the watchman who is set to warn people concerning a bridge out on a highway, must not talk of the danger or give a warning, but only discuss the beauty of the highway, and the pleasure of traveling it? Does he mean that the radar operator set to guard our nation, must not report the missiles which he sees headed for our cities, but rather must talk of the peace and safety which prevails at the moments?

We are well aware that the Rabbi does not believe that he is lost without Jesus Christ, but every Christian and every earnest student of the New Testament must believe that he is. How could the Christian participate in honest dialogue concerning Judaism, without calling attention to its complete inadequacy in the light of the New Testament? Discussion of ethical, moral or other religious values means little when we consider God's full revelation.

The argument may be made that Baptists should be willing to seek truth, wherever it may be found. That is true, but Christ said "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the father but by me." (John 14:6).

#### Christians To Be Witnesses

There does need to be dialogue between Southern Baptists and Jews, as well as with many other groups, but it needs to be on the basis of the whole Biblical revelation. If the New Testament revelation cannot be considered the dialogue will be meaningless. Christians are to be "witnesses" of Jesus Christ. If they cannot do that they have nothing to say.

The Rabbi scores discussion of Judaism with "converted Jews." We would remind him that these people were a part of Judaism just as much as he, but they have found a fulfillment of Judaism in the Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ.

When the Rabbi appears offended at Baptists classifying Jews as spiritually blind, he should remember that it was not Southern Baptists, but the Lord Jesus Christ himself, who classified them that way. Other New Testament writers reaffirm this truth.

Baptist seminaries do not need Jewish professors to teach Judaism. Thoroughly trained Baptist professors, knowing both the Old and New Testaments, can give a much clearer presentation of Judaism, than can a man who rejects the New Testament revelation. What theological students need to be taught is the whole Bible truth concerning Judaism. They also need to be taught how to give a positive "witness" of Jesus Christ to Jews and to all other unsaved people.



#### EDUCATION IS SACRIFICE

"The purpose of college is education, and education demands sacrifice. It is a matter of losing one's life to find it. A student's life must be lost in books, classes, constructive discussion, and creative thought. The life found in the process is one . . . of the most wonderful sort, manifested by the greatest possible benefit from and contribution to the rest of the world." — Elizabeth Bates, a student at Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass. "The View from Here" in "The Baptist Student," December 1966.

#### CHOICES MAKE DIFFERENCE

"Christ wants and can use all of our lives, but he leaves the choice to us of accepting or rejecting him. He will mean to us only what we will allow. In college this choice is especially a problem because of the many powerful influences from many sides, carefully the effect every decision will have on his life. The dramatic difference the right choice can make will determine the outcome of his educational and philosophical endeavors." — Stephen Long, a student at Western Carolina College, Cullowhee, N. C. "The View from Here" in "The Baptist Student," December 1966.

#### Midwestern Names Prof, Ups Salaries

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP)—Election of a new professor and substantial across-the-board salary increases for the faculty were approved by the board of trustees for Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Elected to the faculty was Doran McCarty, pastor of Susquehanna Baptist Church, Independence, Mo., and an instructor in religion at William Jewell College (Baptist), Liberty, Mo.

The board approved a special emphasis on the 10th anniversary of the founding of Midwestern Seminary for Sept. 26 - Oct. 1, 1967. The seminary was founded in 1957. The anniversary week will be climaxed with a Kansas City area rally on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 1.

#### Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

April 3—J. D. Lundy, supt of missions, Washington County; W. B. Boatner, supt. of missions, Winston County.  
April 4—Marvin Elliott, Mississippi College faculty; Ora Calhoun, Baptist Book Store.

April 5—Mrs. Burma Cone, staff, Children's Village; Margaret Eakin, Baptist student director, Blue Mountain College.

April 6—Mrs. Freda Turner, staff, Clarke College; Mrs. R. L. Chapman, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

April 7—Joe Abrams, Baptist Building; Mrs. Jean Gullette, Baptist Building.

April 8—Roy Hood, faculty, William Carey College; Mrs. Dorothy Crow, operating room instructor, Gilfoy School of Nursing.

April 9—J. B. Parker, chaplain, Baptist Hospital; Lula Collier, Baptist Book Store.

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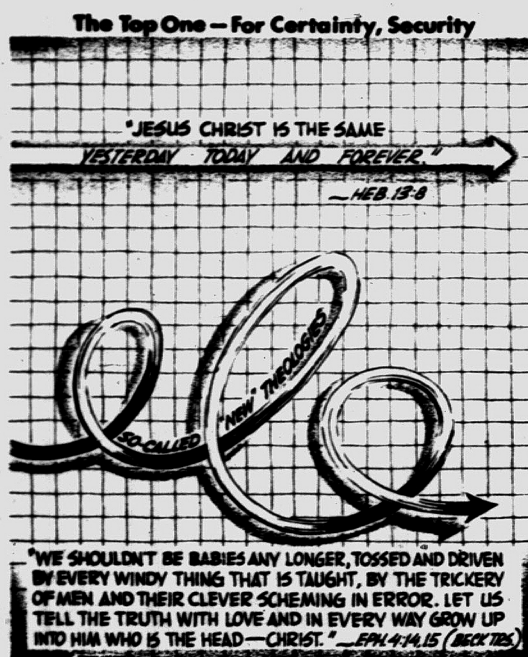
#### Matter Of Baseball

By Dr. Charles Myers, Pastor  
First Church  
McAlester, Oklahoma

It is spring, and across our Nation can be heard the familiar cry "play ball." For whether it is in the open country, the tiny hamlet, or the crowded city the great American pastime is baseball. And the game is engaged in by boys and men of all ages and various degrees of ability under every conceivable condition. There is grim determination in every movement of the pitcher. There is a thrill in the crack of the bat as it meets the ball. There is an incomparable beauty in the fielding of the ball. There is terrific excitement in running the bases. And the thrill which tops them all is the thrill of hitting a home run. Where is the American boy who does not dream of some day pounding the ball over the fence in his favorite big league park?

What is it that causes the game to produce such excitement? There are many things but perhaps the outstanding one is the thrill of competition. The players pit their strength against each other in an effort to win the game and the spectators pull for their team. The stiffer the competition and the closer the score the more enjoyable is the game. And the more the spectator puts himself into the contest the more he will enjoy it. But no matter how much he tries he will still not get the thrill the player does, because the real fun of the game is playing, not watching. And any person who has never played is never fully satisfied just to watch. He may no longer be able to play, but inside he still wants to.

What can be said of baseball, can be said of other games and of other experiences in life. There just is not the thrill in watching that there is in participation. This is particularly true in religion. Perhaps the reason a great many people fail to find a deep satisfaction in their religious experience is because they are just spectators. They come on Sundays and sit through a service. They go through what ever forms the service requires. They listen to the preacher and the choir. Occasionally they may join in the singing of a hymn like the spectator yelling at the ball game. When the service is over, they file out like they were leaving the stadium and



## The Baptist Forum

### Seek Grave Of W. H. Roles

Dear Sir:

Please help us to locate where a William H. Roles, could be called "Billy," settled in your state upon migrating from North Carolina. He gave land and was one of the founders of our Rolesville Baptist Church, a founder of the local school before the days of Public Schools by taxes, and was the founder of our town of Rolesville.

return to their homes. The game is over and there won't be another one for a week.

These people not only miss the thrill of playing, they miss the purpose of religion. Religion is not just something to enjoy. Religion is to do something for the individual and it enables the individual to do something for others. In order to do this we have to become more than spectators, we have to become participants. We begin with a vital and personal worship of God. We let that contact make us aware of the needs of those about us. Then we seek to express our love for God by meeting those needs. We do for those people just what we would do if God were in their place. And out of this participation comes real satisfaction for the soul. If your religious role is just that of a spectator, why not come down out of the stands and start playing on the team?

Also he was outstanding in Baptist work in the association and state convention in its beginning here, and was on the earliest board of trustees of Wake Forest College.

If you could through the organs of public appeal in your State Baptist paper locate the church he joined—presumably a Baptist church in the year 1840-42 with his wife Lucy. They were dismissed in 1841 for Lucy and in February 1842 for Roles. It is believed they had settled on land there prior or around 1840.

If we could locate just the name of the church which he joined and the address of either a pastor, clerk or even a deacon, just anyone to whom we could correspond and maybe who would search for the location of his grave. We do know that he died in your state as we have a war record of his son who died during Mexican War and had heirs residing here in 1948 when they filed claim for his son's estate. However none of these heirs have descendants in our community today.

Thank you for all the service which you may be able to render us.

Mrs. O. R. Freeman  
Box 2  
Wake Forest, N.C.

In 1966 alone the American Bible Society produced more than 123,000 Braille books, Talking Bible Records, and tapes for the blind.

## Newest In Books

DEVOTIONS FOR DYNAMIC LIVING by Sybil Leonard Armes (Fleming H. Revell, 126 pp., \$2.95)

Thoughtful messages for personal enrichment and meditation, written "for those who seek to make life meaningful in a turbulent, awesome environment." One chapter is dedicated to young people as they enter courtship and look toward marriage. Mrs. Armes is a Baptist minister's wife, a Christian homemaker, and talented writer, poet, speaker, and musician.

THE PACIFIC STATES by Neil Morgan and editors of Time - Life Books (Time-Life Books, Time & Life Bld., Chicago, Ill., 68611, 192 pp., 236 illustrations, \$4.95)

This volume is the beginning of a new 12-volume series called the Library of America. The view is taken by the writers that California, Oregon and Washington make up America's most dynamic and abundant region, a region that has unlimited potential and which exerts profound impact on our time. Neil Morgan discusses the Pacific States' history, leisure, politics, education, economy, culture, and industry. Included are eight picture essays; nine motor tours of the Pacific Coast complete with maps; lists of museum locations; an illustrated spread on flora and fauna; and an appendix. This beautiful volume gives promise that the complete set will give to readers a delightful, informative and inspirational visit to all areas of our land.

THE BIBLICAL FLOOD AND THE ICE EPOCH by Donald Wesley Patten, (Pacific Meridian Publishing Co., 336 pp., \$7.50)

A very unusual study of world history, and especially of the flood and the ice epoch. The author discusses ancient and modern scientific theories concerning world history. He considers uniformitarianism, which is the theory usually held by the evolutionists, and catastrophism, which is the explanation given by many other scholars. The author shows an amazing knowledge of world geography and through many charts and texts shows conditions existing on the world surface, which argue in favor of a great catastrophe. The author believes that the facts available are not in conflict with the Bible revelation, and its revealed truth concerning God's creation. He shows how unreasonable are some of the arguments of those who reject the Bible and God Himself, in favor of their modern

theories. This is a valuable edition to the several books which have appeared in recent years showing that the Bible position can be defended. The serious scholar, both of the Bible and of the earth's history and geology, will do well to read this volume.

INTERPRETING THE ATONEMENT by Robert H. Culpepper (Eerdmans, 170 pp., paper, \$2.45)

A Southern Baptist foreign missionary discusses the Bible doctrine of the atonement. His chapters deal with the Old Testament foundations, the New Testament witness, and the historical interpretation. There is a chapter on special problems. The final chapter gives a constructive statement on the meaning of the doctrine. This is a sound, conservative, scriptural based presentation.

A TREASURY OF HUMOR by Clyde Murdock (Zondervan, 160 pp., \$3.95)

This is a new sourcebook of humorous stories, for use by after-dinner speakers, salesmen, teachers, ministers, and others. It includes more than 500 jokes, puns, anecdotes, and funny stories. It is indexed, and the stories are arranged alphabetically by subject.

GOD'S ANSWER arranged by Marguerite Connell (Moody, 47 pp., paperback, 95 cents)

Quotations entirely from the Bible arranged under 22 headings in logical, informative sequence; scripture mosaics designed to place God's answers of selected topics before the reader in order to

open the way for guidance, comfort, or inspiration." Each selection is illustrated with a beautiful photograph of a nature scene. Cover photograph by Fred Sieb. This is one of Moody's Devotionals Series.

I TAKE THEE . . . by Gordon and Dorothea Jaeck (Zondervan, 150 pp.)

This is an excellent new book on the art of successful marriage. Eugenia Price in the introduction says, "Any one who wants to learn to live in God-love can do so by a careful, honest reading of this important book. The way is here and the very warmth and clarity of the writing reach out to make the heart willing to try."

The Pilgrims refused to bring a copy of the King James Version of the Bible on board the Mayflower because they considered it a newfangled translation, but by 1770 Benjamin Franklin said that the Bible was not being read in the Colonies because the King James Version was out of date.

In 1870 the American Bible Society promoted a railway Scripture distribution plan. Eight years later most of the major railroads were being supplied with on-train Scriptures. Records indicate that Bibles were sometimes taken from cars by forgetful passengers just as "Bible burglars" continue to take them today from public places, with an upsurge of Scripture "shoplifting" noted at Easter and Christmas.



RECALLING HIS SERMON THE GREAT EVENTS OF HISTORY...







WOODROW WILSON FELLOW — William Haskell Madden, Jr. (left) of Jackson, a student at Mississippi College, has been awarded a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for the 1967-68 academic year. He will do graduate study in the classical languages at the University of Michigan. Tom Boswell, (right) assistant professor of foreign languages, congratulates Madden while Ken Rainey, assistant professor of English and a former Woodrow Wilson Fellow, looks on.—M.C. PHOTO

For Patriotic Sermon In Slide And Sound

Robert Wall Wins Medal From Freedoms Foundation

Rev. Robert Wall, former Mississippi pastor, now pastor of Easthaven Church, Kalispell, Montana, has been awarded the George Washington Honor Medal, the second highest award given by Freedoms Foundation at Vally Forge, for his presentation, "What America Means to Me!" The award will be given to him at special ceremonies in future.

Frank Hart Smith, a Mississippian, and consultant in the Church Recreation Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville nominated him for the award.

Kalispell Lions Club has awarded Mr. Wall a "Certificate of Appreciation" for the program, the first such award made by that club.

The program, "What America Means to Me," had its inception the latter part of October, 1965, when the president of the Lions Club asked Mr. Wall to prepare a special program for Veterans Day observance.

The preacher decided to experiment with his two hobbies, photography and sound (recording equipment, etc.) He combined slides of beautiful scenes all over America with music and script.

From its initial presentation, the program has met with overwhelming success. By March 17, of this year, Wall had presented it 104 times to over 15,000 people, and had 20 commitments for future showings. He has presented it to civic clubs, service groups, veterans organizations, schools, PTA's church and church groups military units, youth organizations, of state leaders" in Helena, Montana. In February he presented the program 21 times, and in one ten-day period 15 times. Each presentation has resulted in numerous other invitations, and he has had to turn down many because he couldn't work them all in.

Mr. Wall says, "I can say without hesitation that this unique ministry has done more to raise the public image of Southern Baptists in this and surrounding communities than anything else that we could have done. We are no longer "strangers" here but are now accepted as a part of the community. I like to classify the program as being a "patriotic sermon in slide and sound," and through it I have had the privilege of

being before groups that otherwise would not have been accessible to me."

His twin brother, Roland Wall of Brookhaven, district governor of Kiwanis Club, has presented the program to clubs in this area.

all-Indian committee to serve as a permanent national advisory group on the quality and equality of education opportunity for American Indians was announced by Robert L. Bennett, commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.

Fifteen of the 16 members of the committee are tribal leaders representing areas with substantial numbers of Indian children attending federal schools.

Mr. Bennett stated: "We expect to attain two objectives: First, to stimulate keener interest among Indians in such basic issues as financing and operating educational programs for both children and adults, and second, to close the present gap between what Indian people feel they need and what others think they need."

"There is no issue more pressing to us in the Bureau of Indian Affairs than that of improving the educational level of American Indians."

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DISSENTING BAPTISTS IN RUSSIA

Just Who Are They?

By Carlos Gruber Nacogdoches, Texas

In recent months and years there have been numerous references in the press to a group of Christians in Russia who are sometimes called "dissenting" Baptists.

For the sake of truth and our Baptist martyrs here are some facts about those devoted Baptists called "dissenters."

That group (the official statistics give the number as 25,000 - 30,000, which is probably in error since they are like the "Catacomb Christians" of the first centuries, whose number cannot be assessed and, in all probability, would go far beyond the official estimation) represents the Baptist Constituency that has refused to co-operate with the godless Communists. Like-wise they have refused to co-operate with the officially recognized "Council of the Evangelical Baptist Christians (that includes Pentecosts, Mennonites, Brethren, etc. because of Government directives), but are trying to be faithful to their God, their beliefs, convictions and Baptist practices.

They have refused to support the Kremlin-inspired "Peace Conferences" and Proclamations where the official Baptist leaders have violently denounced the United States as in the case of the attack on President Kennedy for ordering the missiles out of Cuba, and the false accusations against us for using germ warfare in Korea.

They likewise didn't agree with the decision of the official group under the directives of the "Department of the Cults" to join the World Council of Churches. Likewise they refused to join with the official Baptist group publicly and extravagantly praising the Great Joseph Stalin, Krushchev, the Communist

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They also refused to co-operate, because they knew of those "Brethren" that posed as pastors, but had gone over to the Communist party and had become informers for the Secret Police.

"These are the "dissenters" that are meeting in homes, in forests, in hideaway places. They have not been recognized by the Department of Cults whose head is a godless Communist, who conducts the affairs of the churches issuing the official directives and guidelines, especially to those that are permitted to go abroad.

Just a few months ago the secular press gave the story of the trial of these "dissenters," including five preachers. The official indictment against them contained the following accusations: teaching their children the Bible (Religious instruction is forbidden by law, but atheism is taught everywhere), meeting illegally in homes and

Church Member Training Week Scheduled

NASHVILLE—Most persons have training in a Southern Baptist church before they may become members?

No, but Training Union on Sunday nights is an opportunity for all Southern Baptist church members to develop their talents.

Is Training Union the only opportunity for training which churches are providing for their members? No, week-long training opportunities also are planned. Such a week is Church Member Training Week April 17-21.

Four books available for study by junior through adult age Southern Baptists during Church Member Training Week are: "Adults Continuing to Learn" by Ernest J. Loesner, "Learning for Living" (young people) by H. Walton Connelly Jr., "Intermediates in the Learning Fellowship" by Harold S. Bailey, and "My Church Helps Me Learn" (junior) by Roddy Stinson.

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The world's oldest capital city, Damascus, Syria, has been continuously inhabited since 2000 B.C.

Steps Toward World Baptist Fellowship

By Joseph Nordenhaug

Fellowship in the New Testament sense implies much more than mere social amenities. It means the active sharing in common tasks. Kolonia suggests overalls rather than tuxedos. Service and cooperation are essential elements in fellowship. Christian fellowship is team work under the captaincy of the Holy Spirit.

Eighty Baptist conventions and unions are joined together in the Baptist World Alliance "more fully to show the essential oneness of Baptist people in the Lord Jesus Christ... and to promote the spirit of fellowship, service and cooperation."

What can the Alliance do in promoting understanding and cooperation among members of our Baptist family in the world? The answers are not simple nor easy, but we need to major in the following:

1. We must relate all our motives and activities to the unique place Christ holds as Lord and Saviour.
2. We must define clearly and in concrete terms the objectives of the Great Commission for our age.
3. We must counteract the erosion of man's God-given dignity and worth. Human rights and freedom are under terrific stress from automation, the population increase, urban living conditions, racial prejudice, war, and the exploitation of persons for material gain.
4. We must study the total

concealed places (for the official group the government provides the facilities for which a very high rent has to be paid), for baptizing in a river secretly those who had not reached the legal age of 18 as prescribed by law and claiming the Freedom of Religious rights as "granted" by the Communist constitution.

It's interesting to note the "All Union Council hopes to publish 20,000 Bibles and 30,000 hymnbooks in the near future." Those have been the hopes for the last 50 years. (A report from Eastern Europe given at the World Congress of Evangelism in Berlin stated bluntly: "printed materials are not permitted.") Supposing though, that a token printing in Russian (for propaganda purposes) would be permitted of 20,000 Bibles and 30,000 hymnbooks, how much that would mean for over 230 million population (not counting the satellite Communist countries) which uses scores of different languages, or even for the 550,000 Evangelical Baptists. Let's remember that not a Bible or hymnbook has been printed since the Communists came to power almost 50 years ago.

Yes, these "dissenters" represent the Christians of the First Century, those who, instead of paying homage and sacrificing to Caesar, chose the Catacombs, torture and death. But, their blood became the seed of the church that finally caused phenomenal spread of Christianity and the fall of the Roman Empire. Let's not forget those suffering brethren of ours behind the Iron and Bamboo Curtains as well as those who are lingering in the jails of Castro's Cuba, among whom there are two of our missionaries.

Let us pray daily for them that the Lord would grant them patience and endurance and that they, indeed, would be faithful unto death. Let their example be an inspiration to us who live in this wonderful land and may it lead us to a new dedication to our Lord, to our church and to our Baptist heritage.

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spectrum of Christian reconciliation, faith, fellowship and unity in the contact of the Scriptures, history, and present-day life.

5. We must seek to diagnose the basic needs of modern man to ascertain whether they have changed radically from former days or just appear different in the modern setting.

6. We must examine and discard meaningless religious cliches which survive through habit of speech and the lag of traditions, and which are prone to invite the verdict that the gospel of Christ is irrelevant to the needs of modern man.

7. We must avoid rash or studied generalizations in regard to other member bodies in the Baptist World Alliance and relinquish denunciation



AT GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES for the new Baptist headquarters building in Manila, Philippines, Dr. Grover F. Tyner, Jr., chairman of the building committee, holds shovel while others with a special interest in the building wait their turn: (left to right) Rev. William R. Wakefield, Rev. Harold R. Watson, Gregorio D. Amistoso, Dr. Howard D. Olive, Miss Theresa Anderson, Miss Mary Lucile Saunders, Mrs. D. Leslie Hill, Phillip M. Anderson, and Rev. James A. Foster. Mr. Amistoso is architect-engineer for the building; the others are Southern Baptist missionaries. Mr. Foster is a Mississippian.—(Photo by D. Leslie Hill)

Baptist Building Started In Manila

By Bob Stanley

MANILA, Philippines — Groundbreaking ceremonies were held March 1 in Manila, Philippines, for a two-story Baptist building to house all

promotional departments and general offices of the Philippine Baptist Mission (administrative unit of Southern Baptist missionaries in the country)

The new structure, to cost approximately \$81,400, is expected to be complete by January, 1968. It is planned so that it can be expanded to four stories when additional space is needed. The building site is only a busy thoroughfare, Taft Avenue.

The building will house the Baptist book store, publication center, radio and television department, and offices for the treasurer, business manager, and secretary of the Mission and the directors of music, education, and Woman's Missionary Union promotion. A research library will be included for use by missionaries and nationals. (At present, Baptist offices in Manila are scattered about at five locations.)

Over 150 Attend Evangelism Youth Clinic In Morton

Over 150 persons, mostly young people, attended the associational youth evangelism clinic held March 21 at the First Church in Morton.

Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, said this was the first such meeting held in the state and that he was encouraged over the possibilities for other such clinics in the future.

The program opened with a hamburger supper and included a message on "How to Witness" by Dr. Sansing, a filmstrip, "If You Love Me" and a closing inspirational message by Dr. W. D. Louis, of the Evangelism Division of the Home Mission Board.

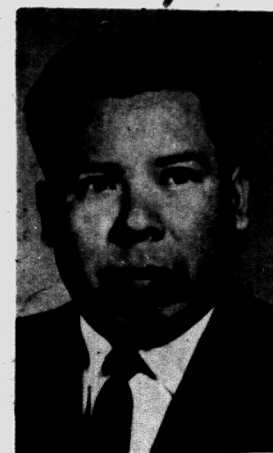
The clinic was sponsored jointly by the Evangelism Department and the Scott County Baptist Association, Rev. Holmes Carlisle, superintendent of missions.

Rev. W. H. Ross is pastor of the host church.

Overseas Koreans

Rev. Donald H. Rose, missionary associate, has begun a Bible class for Koreans who live in the Mainz area of Germany. Twenty persons are enrolled in the class, which uses Baptist Sunday School literature prepared in Korea and Korean - language Bibles furnished by the Foreign Mission Board. Mr. Rose's basic assignment is working with English-language Baptist churches in Germany as associational missionary.

Indian Pastor Is Named To National Committee



Rev. Clay Gibson

A Choctaw Indian Baptist minister from Philadelphia has been named to a 16-member National Indian Education Advisory Committee.

He is Rev. Clay Gibson, full time pastor of Macedonia Church at Conehatta and an officer of the Choctaw Tribal Council.

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63 YEARS A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

Galilee, Gloster, Honors J.T. Lowrey

Sunday, March 12, was Honors Day for J. T. Lowrey of Gloster. Mr. Lowrey is 69.

Mr. Lowrey was presented a copy of a resolution unanimously adopted by the deacons of Galilee First Baptist Church commending him for his many years of service to that church.

He was also given a bronze plaque commemorating his 63 years of service as a Sunday school teacher at Galilee. Mr. Lowrey first became the teacher for the Ladies' Bible Class which he taught for two years and then transferred to the Men's Bible Class which he taught for 61 years.

Mr. Lowrey has been one of the leading attorneys in the area for many years, and he taught school before being admitted to the bar. He is a

graduate of the University of Mississippi and has served as City Attorney for the Town of Gloster longer than any other lawyer.

He is a former member of the Gloster Board of Aldermen, former president of Amite County Welfare Department, former president of Amite County Bank, former attorney for the Board of Supervisors, present chairman of the Board of Amite County Bank Branch of First National Bank of Jackson, and present member of Amite County Welfare Department.

Mr. Lowrey is married to the former Nettie Longmire. Leiland Stokes, Sunday school superintendent, praised Mr. Lowrey's service on behalf of the church. Elmo Un-



J. T. Lowrey



THE CHAPEL and classroom building, plus a faculty residence and five buildings to house student families, were recently dedicated at the Eliza Davis George Baptist Training School, in Stone County, Liberia. The school named for an American Negro who has been a missionary in Stone County for half a century, will train pastors and other church leaders.



# New Film Examines Missionary Vocation

A Christian university in Japan, a mission hospital in the Middle East, and a theological seminary in the United States provide background for a close look at the missionary vocation in *Some To Be Missionaries*, a new motion picture of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Filming of the picture, in sound and color, was completed in mid-January. To be released May 1, it will be available at Baptist Film Centers for a \$3.00 use fee.

The 30-minute film shows a furloughing missionary visit-

ing a Stateside seminary campus. In dialogue with the students, he discusses the missionary vocation, drawing on his own experiences in Korea and his contacts with missionaries in other lands.

The Christian vocation and call to church ministries will be emphasized in Southern Baptist curriculum in late 1967 and 1968. *Some To Be Missionaries* is designed to fit into this emphasis, with the long-range objective of confronting young people with the possibility of overseas mission service.

Executive producer of the film is Rev. Fon H. Scofield, Jr., director of the division of visual education of the Foreign Mission Board. Miss Johnni Johnson, his assistant, helped with the script and acted as consultant for the

dramatic portions of the film, which were photographed at the facilities of Family Films, Hollywood, Calif. Documentary scenes were filmed in the Orient and Middle East by personnel of the Foreign Mission Board and of Broadman Films, Nashville, Tenn.



CHECKING THE script of "Some To Be Missionaries", new motion picture of the Foreign Mission Board, are some of the cast and production crew. Facing the camera are (left to right) Harry Holcomb, who plays a missionary, the central role; Miss Johnni Johnson, of the Foreign Mission Board's division of visual education; Rev. Fon H. Scofield, Jr., director of the division of visual education; Robert Rockwell, another actor; Sam Hersch, executive producer of Family Films, Hollywood, Calif., where portions of "Some To Be Missionaries" were photographed; and Edward Dew, the film's director. To be released May 1, the 30-minute motion picture (in sound and color) will be available at Baptist Film Centers for a \$3.00 use fee.

## Sunday School

### BIBLE TEACHING CONFERENCE

**Broadmoor Church** —April 10-12— **Jackson**  
Program Begins Monday 7:00 P. M. - Adjourns Wednesday Noon  
General Officers  
Pastors  
Adult, Cradle Roll, Ext.  
Young People  
Intermediate  
Junior  
Primary  
Beginner  
Nursery  
Dr. Clyde T. Francisco - Professor of Old Testament Interpretation, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, will speak four times on "Principles of Interpretation of Old Testament Study"

Dr. W. Boyd Hunt, Professor of Theology, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas will speak four times from "Galatians."

Dr. Jaroy Weber, Pastor, Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile, Alabama, will speak twice on "Evangelize Now" and "The Church's Main Business"

Provision for Nursery and Beginner Children at all Sessions. School Age Children will be supervised during both night sessions in Recreation Building.



Musicians - Carol, David Tyson, Bette, Ed Stalmecker

## JUDSON COLLEGE HONORS MISSIONARY ALUMNAE

Judson College, Baptist women's school in Marion, Ala., paid tribute March 6 to two former students, Dr. Ruth Robertson Berrey and Mrs. Elizabeth Hamner Cole, for their dedication to foreign missions.

Dr. Berrey, a pediatrician, spent three years as a missionary associate in Nigeria, where she worked with the Ogbomoso-based Baptist Health Service.

Mrs. Cole was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1966 as a career missionary for South Brazil. She and her husband, Rev. Roger W. Cole, are now language students in Campinas.

Dr. Berrey, who returned to the States in 1966, is now health officer in her native Barbour County, Alabama.

Thirty-four alumnae of Judson College have become foreign missionaries, according to the college publicity office. The list includes the late Mrs. J. W. McCollum who with her husband and another couple began Southern Baptist mission work in Japan in 1889, and Mrs. Mavis Shiver Hardy, who was known as "Miss One Hundred" because her appointment in 1953 brought the Southern Baptist missionary staff in Japan to 100. She and her husband, Rev. Robert D.

Hardy (who was a U.S. airman in Japan when they met) now serve in Niigata, Japan. (There are currently 140 Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan.)

Women from Judson College have also gone out to Manchuria, China, Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Cuba, India, the Philippines, Guatemala, Lebanon, and Italy.

## 200 Attend FMB Conference On Medicine And Christ

What is the relation between one's commitment to Christ and his vocation of medical service—what should the relation be between the caduceus and the cross?

The question became personal to the 200 people who attended the sixth annual Middle Atlantic medical mission conference, held at Foreign Mission Board headquarters in Richmond, Va., March 17-18. It was asked by Dr. Jack R. Noffsinger, pastor, Knollwood Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N.C., who set the "ball rolling" in the opening session with an address on "The Caduceus and the Cross."

Coordinating the conference

## Brotherhood IMPORTANT DATES

The month of April and the first two weeks of May are very important weeks for Baptist men and boys in our state. During this period the Brotherhood, Royal Ambassador leadership, and Royal Ambassadors will have opportunity to attend one of five Man & Boy Rallies.

They are as follows:

- April 7—Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg
- April 14—Daniel Memorial Baptist Church, Jackson
- April 21—Oakhurst Baptist Church, Clarksdale
- May 5—First Baptist Church, Union
- May 12—East Heights Baptist Church, Tupelo

It is very important for those of you planning to eat the supper meal to preregister with the Brotherhood Department by letting us know how many are planning to attend and sending \$1 per person which will cover the cost of the meal.

## SENATOR SEES DECLINING PRAYER AMENDMENT SUPPORT

WASHINGTON (BP)—Sen. Sam J. Ervin (D., N.C.) told a group of Baptist editors that he believes support for a Constitutional Prayer Amendment will shrink in the future.

Sen. Ervin made his prediction in an orientation conference on church-state issues sponsored by the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs for eight curriculum editors of Southern and American Baptist agencies.

"People are coming to recognize how essential it is for religion to keep hands off the state and for the state to keep hands off religion," the Senator said.

The North Carolina Senator said that Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen's present proposal for a Constitutional Prayer Amendment would have the effect of denying denominational groups the right to worship.

and handling its myriad details were four members of the Foreign Mission Board staff: Miss Edna Frances Dawkins, head of the medical division in the Board's department for missionary personnel, Dr. Franklin T. Fowler, medical consultant, and Mrs. James Meade and Mrs. Elliott Herweyer, secretaries to Miss Dawkins.

The conference, under the theme "Medicine Christianity—Today's World," brought together students in several branches of the medical profession, practicing physicians and nurses, and several ministers for a depth study in the relation of Christian faith to practice as it applies in the field of medicine.

A major feature of the program was group discussion structured for a confrontation of the medically trained individual with his personal responsibility to Christ and the world.

"We believe every Christian is or ought to be on mission wherever he is," Dr. Noffsinger declared.

"The Christian mission calls us to concern for the whole person. The doctor who refers to the gall bladder in 321 and the minister who refers to the non-church member in 321 may be making a similar error. Can the busy specialist in medical services do any more than deal with the gall bladder? Must the spiritual welfare of the patient be the concern only of a chaplain or minister?"

Speaking just before the first of the discussion periods, Dr. Noffsinger concluded with a number of questions, among them, "How can we help medical persons in the States to keep discovering their distinctive mission as Christian witnesses through their vocation?"

This was discussed, but the program also kept the world and its masses of ill and hurt people before the conferees.

Dr. Baker J. (authen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, said in speaking on "The Role of Medical Missions" that in the medical missionary the people see "Jesus Christ walking among them in the hearts of his messengers, saying, I love you, I care."

Dr. L. C. South, on furlough from Congo, stated his

## Woman's Missionary Union

### Coming Events for Members of WMU

Many opportunities for attending informative, inspirational meetings will be presented during the next few months.

1. **Associational WMU Meetings**—Watch for announcements in your local papers about the meeting in your area.

2. **Woman's Missionary Union Annual Meeting**, Miami Beach, May 29-30. A chartered bus will go from Mississippi for the WMU meeting and for two days of the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. There are just a few spaces available for this trip so if you are interested in being part of the group which takes this trip, you'll need to contact the WMU Office immediately.

3. **World Missions Week**—Ridgecrest, June 22-28. This is a new endeavor by our denomination, sponsored jointly

by WMU and Brotherhood. World Missions Week is designed especially for family groups.

4. **WMU Conferences**, Glorieta, July 20-26 and Ridgecrest, August 10-16. A chartered bus will go from Mississippi to Ridgecrest and information on the trip has been sent to each local WMU president.

Study of this book is a must for all church and WMU leaders, and the quarter April-June has been designated especially for this study.

**WMU Concept Books to be studied this quarter**

**The Woman's Missionary Union Program of a Church** is the title given to the new book which has been written to interpret concepts of WMU work in relationship to the total church program.

## Names In The News

Mrs. Charlie Wilkerson has given a Baby Grand Story and Clark piano to East Moss Point, church, Moss Point, in memory of her husband, Charlie Wilkerson. Before his death in 1963, Mr. Wilkerson was a deacon, and active in the work of the church. The piano has been placed in the auditorium.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Lowrey Cooper, missionaries to Argentina, are now studying language in Germany, in preparation for a new assignment among German-speaking people in Argentina's Misiones Province. (He recently resigned the presidency of the Baptist theological seminary in Buenos Aires.) They expect to come to the States in June for furlough. Until June 15 they may be addressed at Goethe Institute, Radolfzell, Germany, then at 1533 Godwin St., Houston, Tex. They are natives of Mississippi, where their fathers were Baptist ministers. He was born in Itta Bena, and lived in Grenada and Sumner during boyhood; she, the former Katherine (Kitty) Tomlinson, was born in Ludlow, and lived in Leakesville and Clinton while growing up.

Sidney L. Buckley has been named Associate Professor of Music at Furman University and will join the Furman faculty in September. It has been announced by Dr. Francis W. Bonner, vice-president and dean of the university. Mr. Buckley will teach voice and music theory. A native of Columbia, Miss., Mr. Buckley is a graduate of William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Miss., and holds the M. M. degree from New Orleans

Seminary. He expects to receive the Doctor of Music degree at Florida State University in 1967. He has served as music director at Goss, Improve, and North Columbia Churches, Columbia, and at Baptist churches in Laurel and Gulfport, Miss., New Orleans, La., and Thomasville, Ga. He is married to the former Virginia Willoughby of Columbia, Miss., and they have three children.

Rev. W. Tom Douglas, director, Gulfshore Assembly, is author of an article in the March Sunday School Builder, entitled "Strengthening Teaching Through Pictures."

Rev. Louie Farmer on Thursday, March 16, celebrated his 13th anniversary as Baptist student director at University of Southern Mississippi. He went there from a similar position at Clarke College, in 1954.

Rev. DeVon L. Byrd has accepted the pastorate of Galilee First Baptist Church at Gloster. He and his wife and two children moved to Gloster on March 27.

Miss Betty Smith of Jackson attended a conference for writers of 1968-69 Training Union curriculum materials for Juniors March 20-23 at the Sunday School Board in Nashville. She is secretary to Rev. Ralph Winders, directors of the state Department of Student Work, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

## Churches In The News

First Church Clara presented an Easter Cantata, "Hallelujah! What A Savior!" by John W. Peterson, on Sunday night, March 26, under the direction of Mrs. Jack Carter. Mrs. Carter served as pianist and Melita Ann Shoemaker, as Organist. Narration was presented by Rev. Wayne F. Hart, pastor.

Salem Church Choir presented the Easter Cantata, "Hallelujah! What A Savior!" by John W. Peterson, on Friday evening, March 24. Salem is nine miles south of Raymond, near Learned. Rev. Joe H. Ratcliff is the pastor.

Sunny Hill Church, McComb on Wednesday night, March 15, after midweek prayer service, honored their pastor, Rev. Raymond A. Wilson, and his family with a "surprise fellowship" and presented to them a silver platter. The occasion was the completion of Mr. Wilson's work for the Th.M. degree from New Orleans Seminary. The Wilsons have been at Sunny Hill for three years.

## Indiana Baptists Oppose Legislation On 'Bus Aid'

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana (RNS)—Proposed state legislation to provide bus service for pupils attending parochial and private schools along already-established public school routes was opposed here by the Executive Board of the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana.

In a resolution, the Southern Baptist board urged state legislators to vote against "extending public tax funds to



Rev. Donald Toomey

## 1ST. ITTA BENA CALLS PASTOR

First Church, Itta Bena, has called Rev. Donald R. Toomey of Greenwood as pastor.

Mr. Toomey began his duties at Itta Bena, March 19. For the past three and a half years he has served as educational director of North Greenwood Church. Prior to serving in Greenwood, he was pastor of Walnut Church, Tippah County, and Evansville Church, Tate County.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College and holds the BD and MRE degrees from New Orleans Seminary.

Mrs. Toomey is the former Elizabeth McElroy of Baldwin. She and her husband are the parents of five children.

## WEST END TO BUILD NEW SANCTUARY

The congregation of West End Church of West Point, recently accepted a proposal of the deacons to build a new sanctuary to seat approximately 500. The new building, with more than 6000 feet of floor space, will contain a choir room, office facilities, and a pastor's study.

Rev. C. C. Cornelius is pastor.



Rev. John Chittom

Glendale Church has called as their new pastor Rev. John Chittom. Mr. Chittom spent four years at Murphy Creek Church, Winston County. The church there experienced much growth in all aspects of church life.

Mr. Chittom and his family moved on the field the 1st of March. He began his duties the first Sunday of March.

## BMC ELECTS NEW LEADERS

Students of Blue Mountain College have just elected the two top campus leaders for the session 1967-68. Those so honored are Miss Patsy Henry, Memphis, President of the Student Government Association, and Miss Martha Sue Philpot, Camden, Alabama, President of the Baptist Student Union Council for the coming annual session.

private and parochial, educational efforts."

The board, in another action, voted to lease property at Indiana University in Bloomington for a Baptist Student Union center, located two blocks from the campus.

A report presented to the board said that 208 Southern Baptist churches are now affiliated with the state convention. These churches have a total membership of 44,418, a 10 per cent increase over last year.

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# The Sunday School Lesson

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By Clifton J. Allen  
Acts 1

We now begin a six-month study of "Acts of the Apostles." This unit follows logically the study of the Gospel of Luke. The Gospel and the book of Acts were written by the same author—Luke, a Gentile physician and friend of the apostle Paul—so that the book of Acts is the continuing story of the Christian movement from the time of the resurrection of Jesus to about A.D. 60 or 62.

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**THE NEW SANCTUARY** and educational building of Cooperville Church in Scott County, at Morton, were dedicated on March 19. Rev. Billy Johnson from Anniston, Alabama was guest speaker. Cooperville Church was organized in 1935. The first building was dedicated in 1937. The present pastor is Rev. Bob E. Hamilton, student at New Orleans Seminary.

**Christian Action Commission Workshop**  
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**Correction**  
An article in the March 9 issue, entitled "Mr. Pleasant Calls Pastor," listed among Rev. J. D. Johnson's former pastorates that of First Zion, Illinois. The statement should have been "Rev. J. D. Johnson served as associate to Rev. Ashert Row, pastor of First Methodist Baptist Church, Zion, Illinois."

By Bill Duncan  
Colossians 1:9-20

For the next three months we will study the Bible under the theme "Our Lord and His Church". The central truth is that the fellowship of believers belong to Christ and they must acknowledge his lordship in their lives. We begin this study by looking at the idea that Christ is Lord of all.

**Lord of Redemption**  
9-14  
Paul's prayer life was constant and he kept returning to the Colossians in his prayers. He prays, not mere goodwill toward them, but for very definite needs that he specifies in these verses. The prayer is a forecast of the argument of the Epistle as a whole. When this prayer will have been answered, God will be able to give the proper spiritual attitude so that the great truths of this Epistle can make their proper appeal.

The prime request is that they may be filled with the knowledge of God's will. The idea of "filled" implies "filling out to completeness." Hence, Paul wants growth in a deeper understanding of God's will to enable the believer to be practical in all general things as well as to have critical insight. The highest aim of the believer must be to please Him in all things. This life which is pleasing should have every kind of fruit and also be increasing in the knowledge of God. The end of knowledge is obedience and fruitbearing.

The second request of this prayer is that they might know the strengthening of God to perform that will "All power" probably refers to the various kinds of strength required for the performance of Christian duty. The measure of this strength is the power expressed in the love which redeems us. The purpose of this power is that we might endure to express stability of purpose. The power of long-suffering will enable them to overcome any trial. The power of joy will help to win the goal.

The third request of this prayer is thanksgiving of the new stature as Christians. The mood of the Christians is thanksgiving, humility and praise for the abounding grace which had come to them through Christ. Three blessings are mentioned as the occasion for their thanksgiving. The first was that they had been made worthy to partake of the Christian's inheritance. The second is that they had been delivered out of the power of darkness. The third is that they had been translated into the Kingdom of the Son, who is the object of His love. Christ is the agency in redemption and must become Lord or there is no redemption.

**Lord of Creation**  
15-17  
Although we begin a new section, this is largely for purposes of study, because in assurance of Christ's commendation.

there is no break in Paul's thought. He continues with a relative pronoun, passing naturally from the fact of redemption to the glory of the Redeemer.

The Son is the only perfect representative of God. Christ is the outward expression and manifestation of God because of his essential relation to God. God dwells in light inaccessible, and may not be seen by human eyes, but in the Son we may see His true likeness.

He is supreme in creation, being described as "the first-born of all creation". Thus he is set apart from creation as belonging to a different order. Christ came to be prior to creation. Christ thus became the agent of creation of the visible world and also the invisible world of heavenly beings. In fact, He is not only the agent, but the very goal of their creation. They exist with a view to His glory, and so are subservient to His eternal purpose. "He is before all things" raises Him to a unique position above and before all that is due to the creative act of God. He is the agent of preservation. In the world of diversity, the believer finds the true principle of coherence. It is His power alone which holds creation together.

**Lord of The Church**  
18-20

Here we have a picture of Christ's relationship to His church. As the Head, he is in an organic relationship, for the church shares His very life, just as the limbs share a common life with the head. He is also the direction and controlling power to which the limbs must submit. The control of the head is what gives the body unity and function. So true unity and effective endeavor of the body of Christ are due, not to a reorganization of the members, but to a renewal obedience to the divine Head.

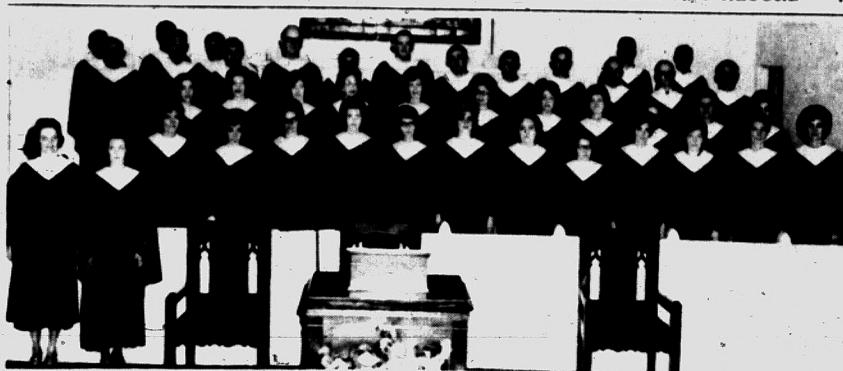
He is seen as the originator of the spiritual life in God's Kingdom and the resurrection was the full revelation of the new quality of life which he was to impart to the new humanity.

The resurrection proved that he was superior in power and in function as the Lord. His pre-eminence expresses the truth that the fullness of God has its dwelling in the Son.

The reconciliation of all things to God was the aim of the Incarnation. The reconciliation to God takes place through the cross. Thus, His death was the basis for a return of sinful men to a position of fellowship with God. This reconciliation is not limited to men. The created order which has been made subject to vanity because of sin (Romans 8:20 ff) will share also in the fruit of the mighty act of atonement on the cross. Christ is Lord of all things in the earth, or things in heaven. This also speaks of the ultimate sovereignty of Christ.

Thursday, March 30, 1967

THE BAPTIST RECORD 7



The Church Choir of the First Church of West Point presented "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Dubois on Palm Sunday evening, March 19. This was the first time this cantata was presented at the church. Jerry Neely is Minister of Music; Rev. Jimmy Hipp, Pastor.

## Tattnall Split Drops Plan To Form Church

MACON, Ga. (BP)—A Baptist fellowship group comprised primarily of former members of the Tattnall Square Baptist Church here has formally dropped its plans to form a new church.

The group, called the Christian Fellowship has been meeting each Sunday since last September when the Tattnall Square Church fired its three male staff members because they urged Tattnall Square to accept Negro worshippers.

Doug Johnson, minister to students at Mercer University, a Baptist school just across the street from the Tattnall Square church, has been pastor for the Christian Fellowship.

Johnson was associate pastor at Tattnall Square and was ousted along with Pastor Thomas J. Holmes, now on the staff of Mercer University, and Music Director Jack Jones, who is organ-music instructor at Mercer and has been music director for the Christian Fellowship.

Gary C. Hinebaugh, chairman of the steering committee for the Christian Fellowship, issued this brief statement: "The fellowship, after much prayer and study, felt that the missions and witness that we stood for were being attempted by other churches in Macon, and that we should work with them in making their programs successful."

The fellowship had been holding worship services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Macon, with educational activities in the religious activities building at Mercer.

The group has had an average attendance of about 75.



## Puckett Pastor Accepts Church In California

Rev. John O. McMullen has resigned Puckett Church, Puckett, to accept the Pittsburg Church, Pittsburg, California. He and his family are moving there the last week of March to begin their new position the first Sunday in April.

Pittsburg has a population of over 32,000. This is a rapidly growing area near San Francisco. The church has a membership of 444.

Mr. McMullen is a graduate of Clarke College, William Carey College, and New Orleans Seminary. His former pastorates include Mt. Pleasant in Newton Association; Janice in Perry Association; Pittsburg, Antioch, and Poplar Springs in Calhoun Association. His wife is the former Beatrice Harmon, Pulaski. They have three children.

## Radio-TV Commission Gets New Organ

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"Radio listeners began to send in contributions—most of them small—but each representing the donor's desire to have a part in this matter of concern. But the fund grew slowly until the generous gesture by the Howard Walsh family fulfilled the prayers and made a dream a reality," Dr. Stevens said.

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DEVOTIONAL

Salvation, Cleanliness, Forgiveness

By Bill Hale, Pastor, Rocky Creek, George County  
Text — I John 1:8-9

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.



Every person, before he can be saved, has to see himself as a sinner. Every single solitary person that has ever been born, came into this world with a sinful nature. We'll not get into the ramifications of theology on how man is to be charged with sin if he is to be a free moral agent. "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."

While reading these pages I wonder if you have ever come to the realization that you yourself are a sinner. If we go about deceiving ourselves we will continue to say that we have not sinned. But there are many people today that are deceived. They are deceiving themselves by good works, by moral reformation, or by some religion other than Christianity. Religion is anything that man worships, while Christianity is accepting Christ and following Him as Lord and Saviour of one's life.

First, we have to realize that we are sinners, we have to confess our sins, confess unto Jesus Christ and we will find that He is faithful and He is just to forgive us from our sins and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Many people do not come to Christ in confession because they doubt His nature. Many people that are in sin, in timidity and fearfulness fail to come to Christ because they fail to see His true character as it is pictured here in these verses. When a person refuses to come to Christ he is doubting that Christ is able to save him, or that He will not do what He has claimed or says that He will for mankind. Why then will man linger behind in fear? Why then will man sit in subjection upon himself instead of coming and claiming Christ for salvation?

We find the scripture says in II Timothy 2:25:

In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth.

Back in 1926 when I discovered America, my twin brother and I, our father was the proudest man in the community. He went around telling everybody that he had twin boys. Through the years I have never doubted the character of my mother or my father. I believe that both of these are my legitimate parents. You see, I trust them and you know I bring no shame or reproach to their name by distrust. But every single solitary person that refuses to come to Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour of life, somehow fails to see the true identity of the Christ character, one that is able to forgive sin and one who implores us to come in confession and find Him to be faithful and just to forgive us of our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. How wonderful it is to know that when we confess our sins He cleans us. He cleans us from past sin. He cleans our heart and purifies our minds and makes us righteous children of His. We find that we are justified by Christ Jesus from our sin, from which we could never justify ourselves.

It is as simple as that and as true as the scriptures themselves.



COLDWATER, in Neshoba County, Rev. Edward Pendergrast, pastor, on March 12 recognized three persons for their long years of service to the church. P. L. Johnson, a deacon who has spent 31 years as church clerk and treasurer, was presented a plaque by R. B. Moore, a deacon with 28 years of leadership in the church. Mrs. P. L. Johnson was given a corsage in recognition of her faithfulness to the church, her daughter Mrs. Kenneth Osburn of Decatur, making the presentation. Left to right, above, are Mrs. Osburn, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Moore.

Clara Presents Series Of Youth Talks

February 5 began a series of talks given by young people of the Clara, First Church. Each Sunday night, either one or two people speak on "What It Means To Me To Be A Christian". Those who have already participated are: Karen Dossier, Vivian Dean, Debbie Mizell, Richard Chapman, Wayne Moseley, N. L. Shoemaker, III, Robert Dean, Carol Mills, Wanda Pitts, Philip Moseley, Melita Ann Shoemaker and Leebert Stevison. Other young people will speak and the series will later include adults. Melita Shoemaker, organist, accompanies the group with soft background music.

This is being sponsored by the Training Union. N. L. Shoemaker, Jr. is director and Rev. Wayne F. Hart is pastor.

Bowie Street Ordains King

John D. King, minister of education and youth at Bowie Street Church, Hattiesburg, has been ordained to the full gospel ministry.

Mr. King, a senior at Carey College and a ministerial student, will work with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention two years after he finishes school. He is from Orlando, Fla.



MISS JOHNNIE ARMSTRONG, Director of the Blue Mountain College Physical Education Department has recently been honored by selection to OUTSTANDING YOUNG WOMEN OF AMERICA, 1966. Miss Armstrong received her B. S. degree from Blue Mountain. She earned a Master of Education degree at the University of Mississippi and attended George Peabody College for Teachers. She is vice president of the Health Education Committee, Mississippi Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. This year, she was listed in Who's Who of American Women.

Dr. William Clawson, Carey College professor of Bible, preached the ordination service.

Rev. James DeFee, Bowie Street pastor, made the charge to the church.

Former Ball Star Frank Boydston Enters Evangelism

Rev. Frank Boydston is entering the full-time field of evangelism. His home address is 4619 Mooney, Houston, Texas, 77016 (telephone HI 9-0024).

He is a graduate of Baylor University, with BBA and LLB degrees, and attended Southwestern Seminary. At Baylor he was football captain, all-conference linebacker, and participated in Senior Bowl, East-West, and All-star games. He was student body president and for three years was in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Before entering the ministry he practiced law two years in Houston. He was Texas director of Campus Crusade for Christ. Then, for seven years, he was pastor of churches in Oklahoma, Idaho, and Texas. He resigned Unity Church, Houston, to enter full-time evangelism on March 1.

Native of Oklahoma, Mr. Boydston is married and has five children. Two of his brothers are Baptist pastors; his sister and her husband are missionaries in Malaysia.

Carey Holds Early Easter Sunrise Service

The annual Sunrise Easter Service at William Carey College was presented on March 21 by the Baptist Student Union. Special music was provided by a quartet composed of Myrna Johnson, Betty Oswald, Mary Eva Stallworth, and Gloria Wheeler. Bernard Richards led the congregational singing.

Three brief talks were given by the following students: "Cruel Crown" by Susie Epperson, "Crooked Cross" by Sheila Shambau, and "Continuous Call" by Mary Ann Myrick. Each of these three girls will be leaving shortly to do mission work in various parts of the world. Benediction was given by John King. Mrs. Jewel Conniff is director of BSU activities at Carey.



EAST BOONEVILLE Church, Booneville, concluded a week of special activities with a week-end revival led by a team from Mississippi College. Steve Brown, at right, brought the messages. Bill Watson, left, and Elaine Roark, center, served as song leader and pianist. There was one profession of faith and several re-dedications. Rev. Earle Greene is the pastor.

Smith Elected State President Philosophy Assoc.

The new president of the Mississippi Philosophy Association is Dr. B. F. Smith, chairman of the Department of Philosophy and Religion at William Carey College. He was elected at the annual meeting held at Millsaps College March 15. Elected to serve with him were Dr. Harry Bear of Mississippi State University, vice president, and Dr. Joe Cooper of Mississippi College, secretary and treasurer.

State Pastor To Speak At N. O.

NEW ORLEANS—Dr. Wyatt R. Hunter, pastor of the First Baptist Church of McComb, Miss., will deliver the annual Layne Foundation Lectures to the students and faculty of the New Orleans Seminary, April 11-13.

Pastor of the church since 1938, Dr. Hunter has been most active in denominational work. He is presently chairman of the committee to study Baptist Student Work in Tax-Supported Schools in Mississippi and a member of the BEST committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The subject of the three-day-lecture series is "Effective Preaching from Pastoral Experience."

Three papers were read at the meeting: "Some empirical evidences for immortality," by Dr. T. J. Flynn of Ole Miss; "An approach to the problem of normative religious verification," by Professor Hal Furr, also of Ole Miss; and "Expressions of Existentialism in historical sequence" by Dr. Dewey Roach of M.S.C.W. The program was arranged by Dr. Smith, who served as vice president and program chairman last year.

REVIVAL RESULTS

Daniel Memorial, Jackson: March 12-19; Dr. Leo Eddleman, president, New Orleans Seminary, evangelist; George Van Egmond, Vicksburg, song leader; Dr. Allen Webb, pastor; 19 additions, 14 by letter and five professions of faith; several rededications.

New Hebron: March 12-17; two additions by letter; 15 professions of faith; Rev. G. C. Cox, pastor of Oak Park Church, New Orleans, La., evangelist; Roy Daughdrill, music minister at New Hebron, in charge of music; Rev. J. W. T. Siler, pastor.

Harmony Church, Louisville: youth - led revival March 12-17; Rev. Leo Barker, evangelist; Rev. W. C. Smith, pastor; one profession of faith; two by letter; a number of rededications.



JUST BEFORE LEAVING the campus of Blue Mountain College for the Student Education Association of the Mississippi Education Association, held in Jackson are pictured: Betty Lynn Wade, New Albany, President of the Blue Mountain Student Education Association; Mrs. J. R. Lewis, Sponsor and Adviser; Diana Brann, Baldwin, special delegate from the Junior Class; Martha Sue Philpot, Camden, Ala., Publicity Director of the SEA; and Gayle Douglas, of Long Beach, whose father, Rev. Tom Douglas, is Director of Gulfshore Assembly. Miss Brann is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. K. Brann, First Church, Baldwin.



AN ADVENTURE IN FAITH AND WORKS was demonstrated by the CENTER HILL CHURCH of Hamilton, when they observed a groundbreaking service for the construction of a new educational building which will take care of their children from birth to 12 years. The contract was given to Lee Watson and Son, construction firm of Hamilton, for \$31,550. The pastor, Rev. Gerald H. Smith, moved the first shovel of dirt, on his first year's anniversary with his people, February 26.

Longino Church Calls Pastor

Rev. Jerry McMullen has accepted a call as pastor of Longino Church, Rt. 3, Philomath, near Magnolia, Alabama.

Mr. McMullen, his wife and two children, are moving into the parsonage at Longino, to give full-time service to the work.



REVIVAL DATES

Griffith Memorial, Jackson: Mar. 27-April 2; Dr. Jewell Kyzar, evangelist; services at 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; James T. Moore, choir director of Griffith, singer; Dr. Kermit Canterbury, pastor.

Riverside Church, Pascagoula: April 2-9; Charles Williams, pastor of Central Church Hattiesburg, evangelist; Jimmy Hannaford, Minister of Music-of Riverside Church, singer; Mrs. Mildred Beasley, organist; Mrs. N. G. Montgomery, pianist; services 7:30 nightly and 10:00 a.m. each morning Tuesday through Friday; Rev. Gus Merritt, pastor.

Mt. Zion Church, (Zion Association, Eupora) April 9, at 7 p.m., through Friday night, April 14; night services only; Rev. Joe L. Jolly, the pastor will do the preaching. The song service will be under the direction of Mrs. William Taylor, and Charles Putnam, choir director.

West End Church, West Point: April 2-8; Rev. Cecil Pumphrey, pastor of Lake Church, Lake, evangelist; Scotty Shows, director of music and youth of West End Church, singer; Rev. Chris C. Cornelius, pastor.

Harperville: April 2-7; Rev. Virgil Ratcliff of Carthage, Sup't. of Missions in Leake County, preaching; Sunday services at regular hours; Monday through Friday, morning services at 10:30 and evening services at 7:30; music led by local talent; Rev. Elton Barlow, pastor.

Clarkson, Maben (Webster): April 2-7; Rev. George Jones, pastor of Calvary Church, Forest, evangelist; Rev. W. K. (Bill) Richardson, pastor; services at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

First Church, Newton: April 2-9; Dr. Raymond Parker, Highland Church, Meridian, preacher; Rev. Bill Peacock, Lowrey Memorial, Blue Mountain, singer; Rev. Joseph V. Trickett, pastor.

Anguilla Church, Anguilla: April 2-7; Rev. James Yates Kyzar, evangelist; pastor of First Church, Yazoo City, evangelist; Bill Cannady, also of First Church, Yazoo City, guest song leader; services at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Dale Wilson, pastor.



Bethel, Monticello: youth revival; March 26-31; services at 7 p.m.; Rev. Emmitt Moak, pastor and evangelist.

Silver Creek (Lawrence): April 2-7; Rev. L. C. Anthony, Bethany Church, Prentiss, evangelist; Rev. N. T. Hedgepeth, pastor; weekday services at 7 p.m.



Park Haven Church, Laurel: April 2-9; weekday services at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Elvin Fairchild (pictured), evangelist; Steve Reedy, Park Haven music director, singer; Rev. J. M. Foy, pastor.

Rocky Springs (Monroe): April 5-9; Rev. Truman Carter, guest speaker; special singing at each service; Rev. Joe D. Herndon, pastor.

Byram Church, on Terry Road south of Jackson: April 2-9; Rev. W. D. Martin, pastor of First Church, Sattsuma, Alabama, former Mississippian evangelist; Betha Fielding, music leader; Rev. H. J. Bennett, pastor; Sunday services at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; weekday services at 7:30 p.m.; special program of interest to boys and girls, ages 6-14 to be conducted each evening from 7 to 7:30.

New Hope Church, Foxworth: April 2-7; Evangelist Walter Barron of Tallulah Falls, Georgia, preacher; Dallas Combs, minister of music.



A. C. MILLER HONORED: A distinguished service award from the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission was presented to A. C. Miller of Hendersonville, N. C., the second executive secretary of the SBC Christian Life Commission. Miller, now retired but teaching at Fruitdale Baptist Bible Institute in Hendersonville, was honored for outstanding leadership in Christian social ethics. Presenting the award (left) was John Claypool of Louisville, Ky., chairman of the Commission, and Foy Valentine, current executive secretary of the commission and Miller's successor.—(BP PHOTO)

and education at Tyler-town Church, in charge of music; services each night at 7:30; Rev. Guy C. Futral, pastor.

Roxie Church (Franklin County): layman's revival; March 29 through April 2. These men speaking: Wednesday night, March 29—Dr. Jimmy Stribling, dentist of Brookhaven; Thursday night, March 30—Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., dentist of Columbia; Friday night, March 31—Claude Townsend, businessman of Jackson and Florence; Saturday night, April 1—James Hickman, coach at Franklin High School of Meadville; Sunday, April 2—Kermit King, Training Union Secretary of Mississippi. Services each night at 7:30 P.M.; Rev. Horace Carpenter, pastor.



First Church, Canton: April 2-7; Dr. Joe H. Tuten, pastor of Calvary Church, Jackson, evangelist; Frank Stovall, head of the Voice Department of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and former minister of music at First Church, Canton, in charge of music; Rev. Johnny Lee Taylor, pastor; services at 7 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. during week, and regular hours on Sunday.

New Zion Church, (Simpson): April 7-9; week-end revival; Rev. Joe Ratcliff, pastor of Collins Church, Collins, evangelist; services on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Miss Lena Jean Shorter, pianist; Rev. Don Nerren, pastor.

East End Church, Columbus: April 2-9; Dr. Gordon Sansing, Secretary of Evangelism of Mississippi Baptist Convention, evangelist; Robert Malone, music director; Rev. Carey Sansing, pastor.

Hickory Church: April 3-9; services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Dr. R. R. Darby, Gulfport, evangelist; Lamar Callahan, music director at Hickory, in charge of music; (Saturday night is Youth Night); Rev. H. L. Davis, pastor.

First, Mt. Olive: youth revival; March 31-April 2; with a team from Mississippi College, including Rev. Ron Smith, preacher, Randy Posey, song leader, and Carolyn Ulrich, pianist. Rev. Jerry Slonaker is pastor.

Petal Harvey, Hattiesburg: April 2-9, nightly at 7:30; Dr. John Traylor, Calvary, Tupelo, evangelist; Raymond Hopper, Hattiesburg, music director; Rev. O. E. Thompson, pastor.

McLaurin Heights, Jackson: April 2-9; Rev. G. A. McCoy, pastor of Crestwood, Jackson, evangelist; Dr. Edwin McNeely, singer.

Off The Record

Three religious leaders, a Jewish Rabbi, a Catholic Priest, and a Protestant minister, respectively, went fishing together in a small boat. The Rabbi, suddenly remembering he had left his fishing pole at the cabin, stepped out of the boat and walked on the water to the shore.

Just then, the Priest remarked that he had left his lure behind, and he too, stepped over the side of the boat, and followed in the same direction as the Rabbi.

When they both returned to the boat, the Protestant minister who had watched this remarkable demonstration, reasoned, "Now, my faith must be as strong as theirs." Determinedly he stepped out into the water—and immediately sank to the bottom.

His two companions dragged him out, but once again he made a determined effort of faith, and again sank into the water.

"My faith must be as strong as yours; why can't I walk on the water like you?" he sputtering asked his rescuers.

The Rabbi turned to the Priest and said, "We'd better tell him where those rocks are before he drowns himself."



DR. HOKE SMITH, JR. (left), missionary, receives a 15-year service pin from Dr. Frank K. Means, Foreign Mission Board secretary for Latin America. Dr. Smith is field representative for the southern part of South America. Dr. Smith taught in the International Baptist Theological Seminary, Cali, Colombia, before his election as field representative in 1962. He now makes Buenos Aires, Argentina, his headquarters.